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SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

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SHADOW
RETURNS



LOCATION:
LABORATORY
ZERO...

AFTER WEEKS OF
GATHERING INFORMA-
TION, THE BIO-
SYNTHETIC CREATION KNOWN
AS SHADOW HAS FOLLOWED
A TRAIL THAT LEADS HERE--

--TO A REMOTE
ISLAND ABANDONED
LONG AGO--

--BY THE
STATION
SQUARE
MILITARY
COMPLEX IN
CHARGE AT
THE TIME!*

I KNOW
NOT WHY
I'M DRAWN
TO THIS
PLACE--

--ONLY
THAT I'M
CONNECTED
TO IT!

BUT HOW?
IT DOESN'T
APPEAR THAT
ANYONE'S
BEEN HERE
FOR A LONG
TIME!

*AS SHOWN IN
SONIC # 98.

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NO OBVIOUS
ENTRANCE IN, SO
I'LL JUST HAVE TO
MAKE DO!



WHO
WOULD HAVE
BUILT SUCH A
PLACE?

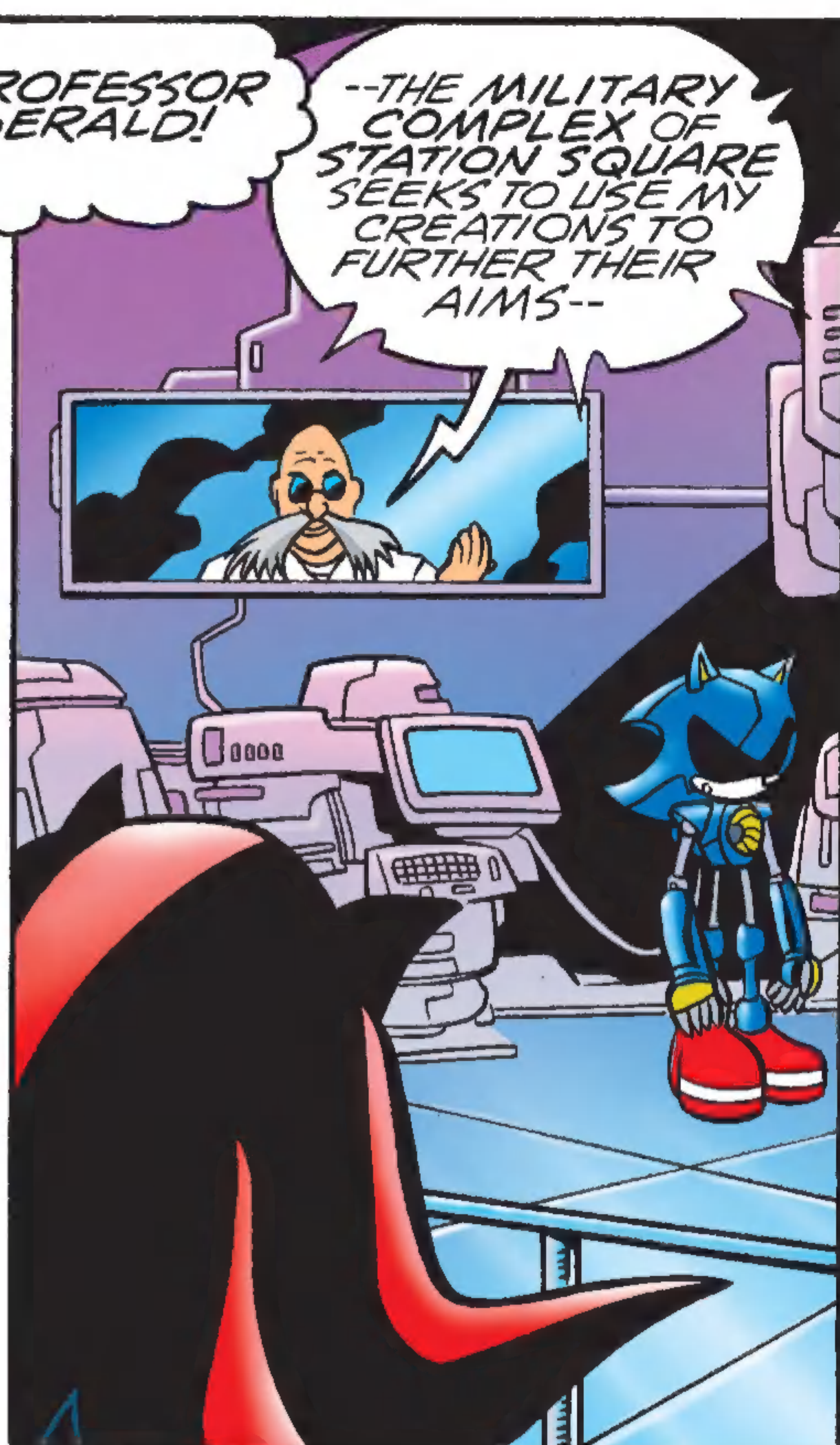
AND
FOR WHAT
PURPOSE?

UP AHEAD
--THAT
VOICE!

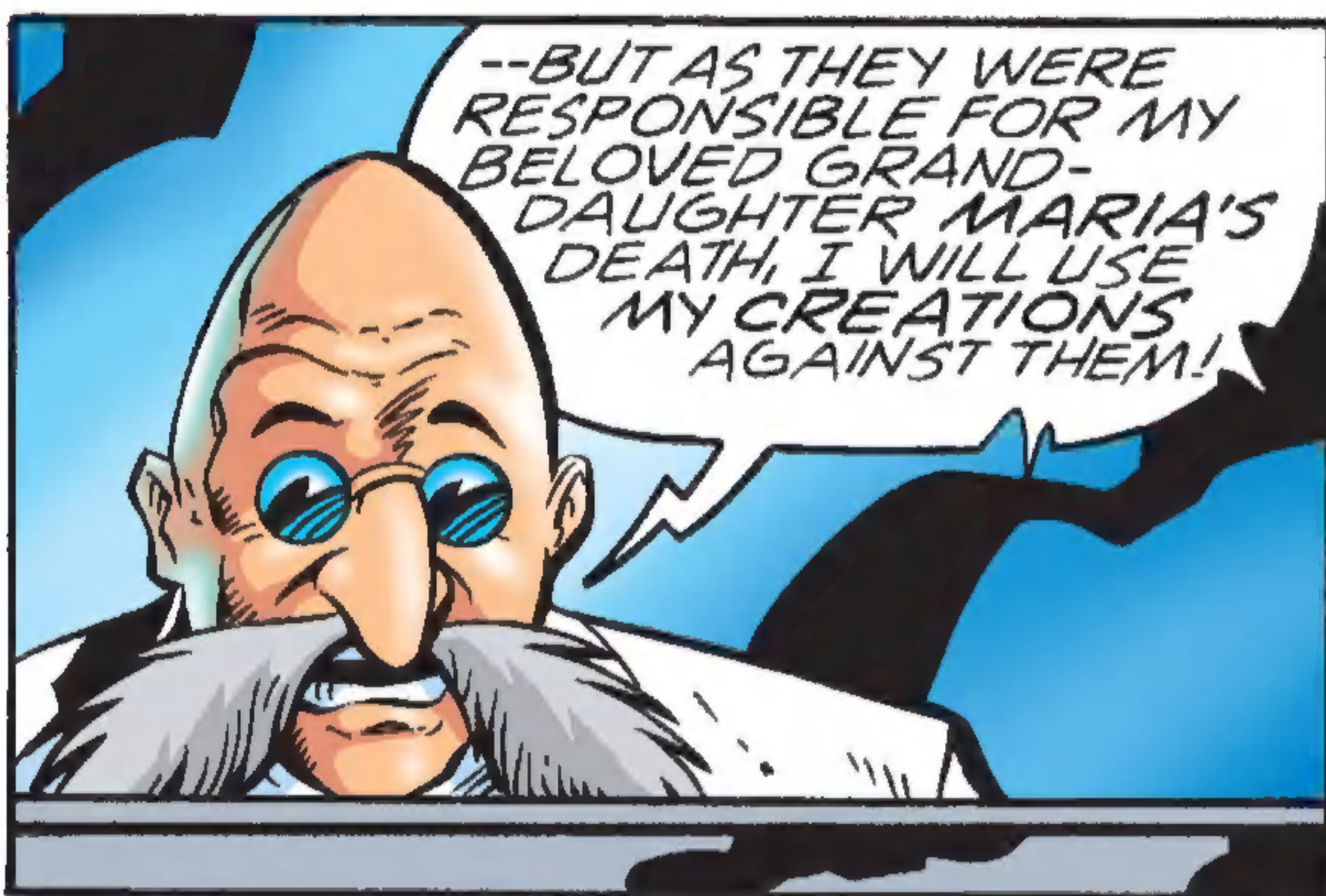


THE
ONE WHO
CREATED
ME--

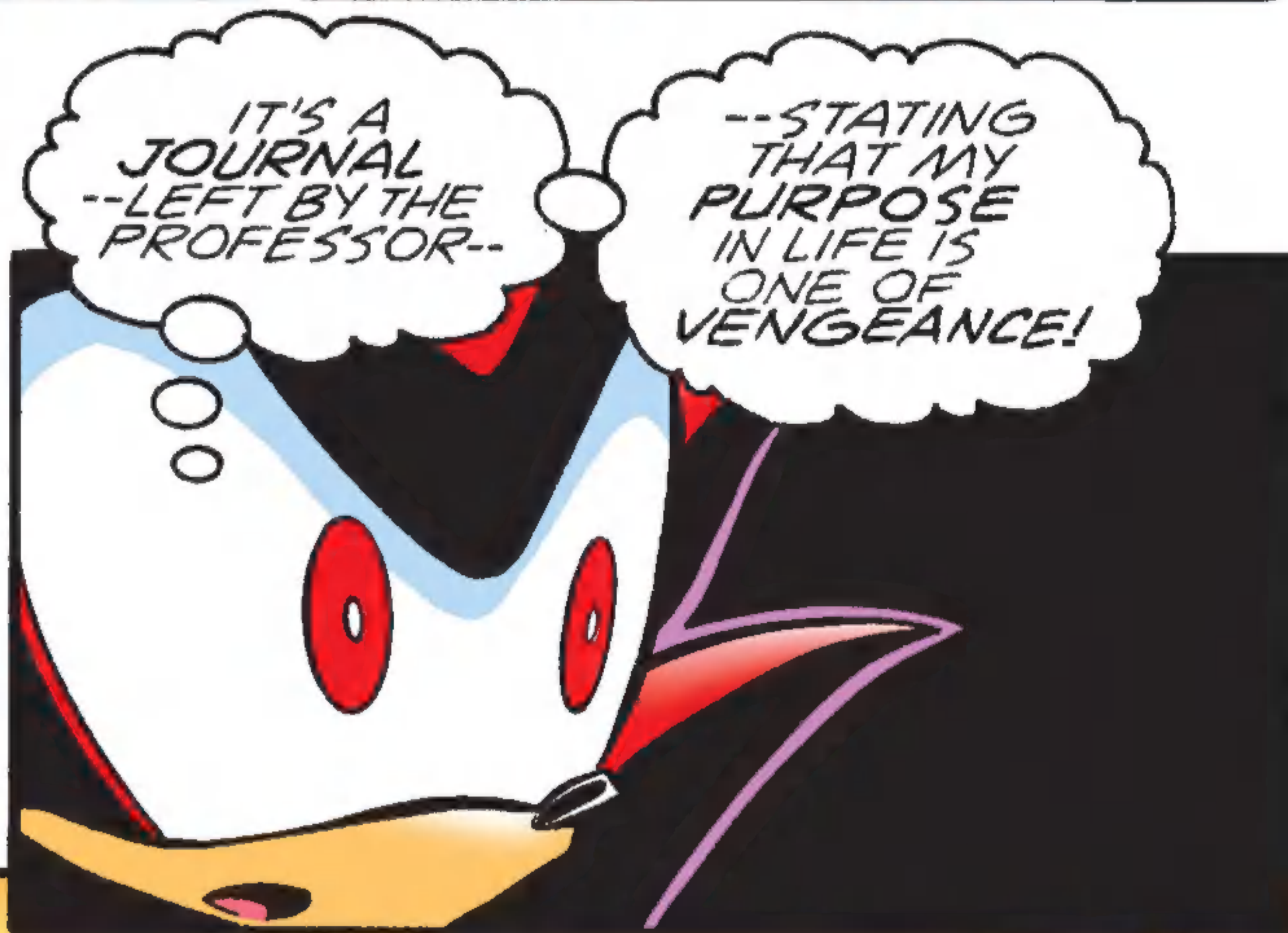
--PROFESSOR
GERALD!



--THE MILITARY
COMPLEX OF
STATION SQUARE
SEEKS TO USE MY
CREATIONS TO
FURTHER THEIR
AIMS--



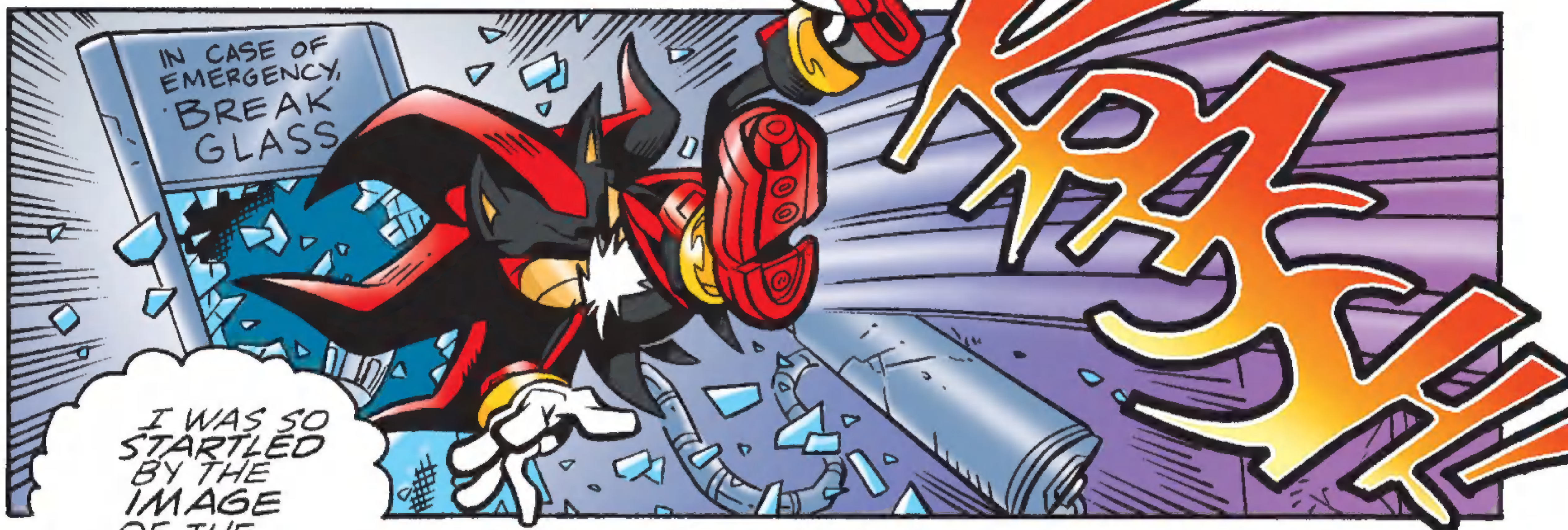
--BUT AS THEY WERE
RESPONSIBLE FOR MY
BELOVED GRAND-
DAUGHTER MARIA'S
DEATH, I WILL USE
MY CREATIONS
AGAINST THEM!



IT'S A
JOURNAL
--LEFT BY THE
PROFESSOR--

--STATING
THAT MY
PURPOSE
IN LIFE IS
ONE OF
VENGEANCE!





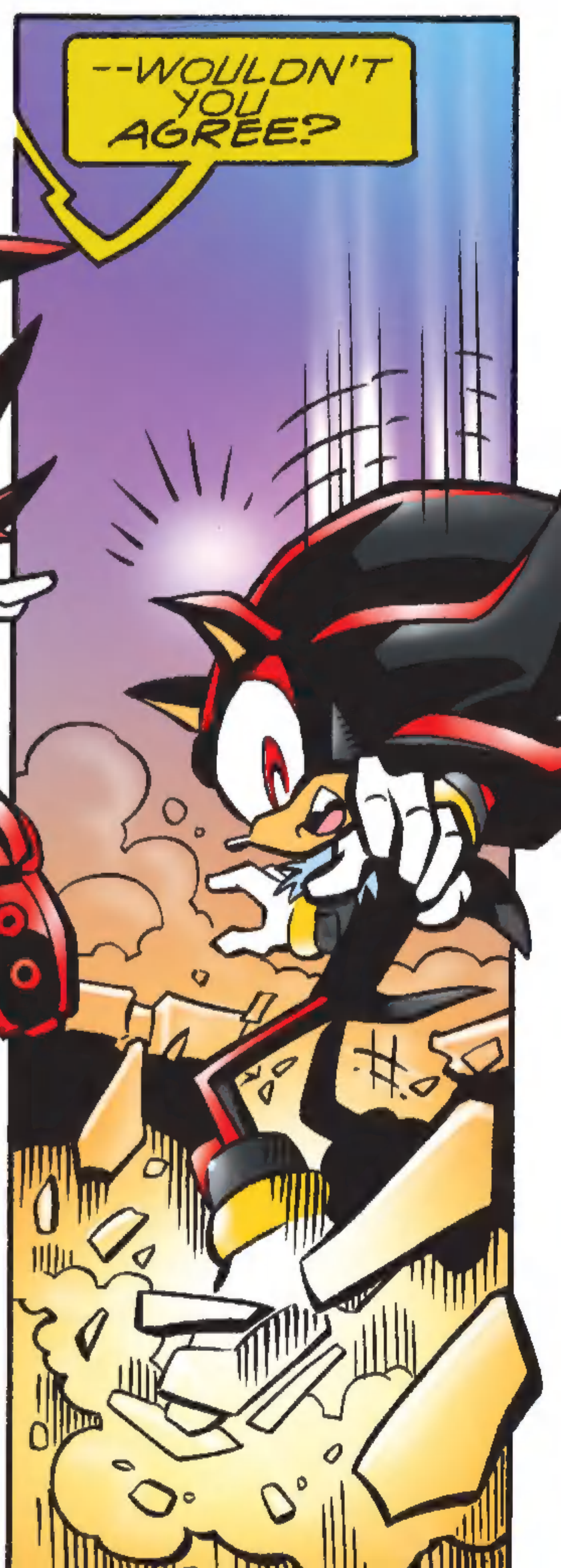
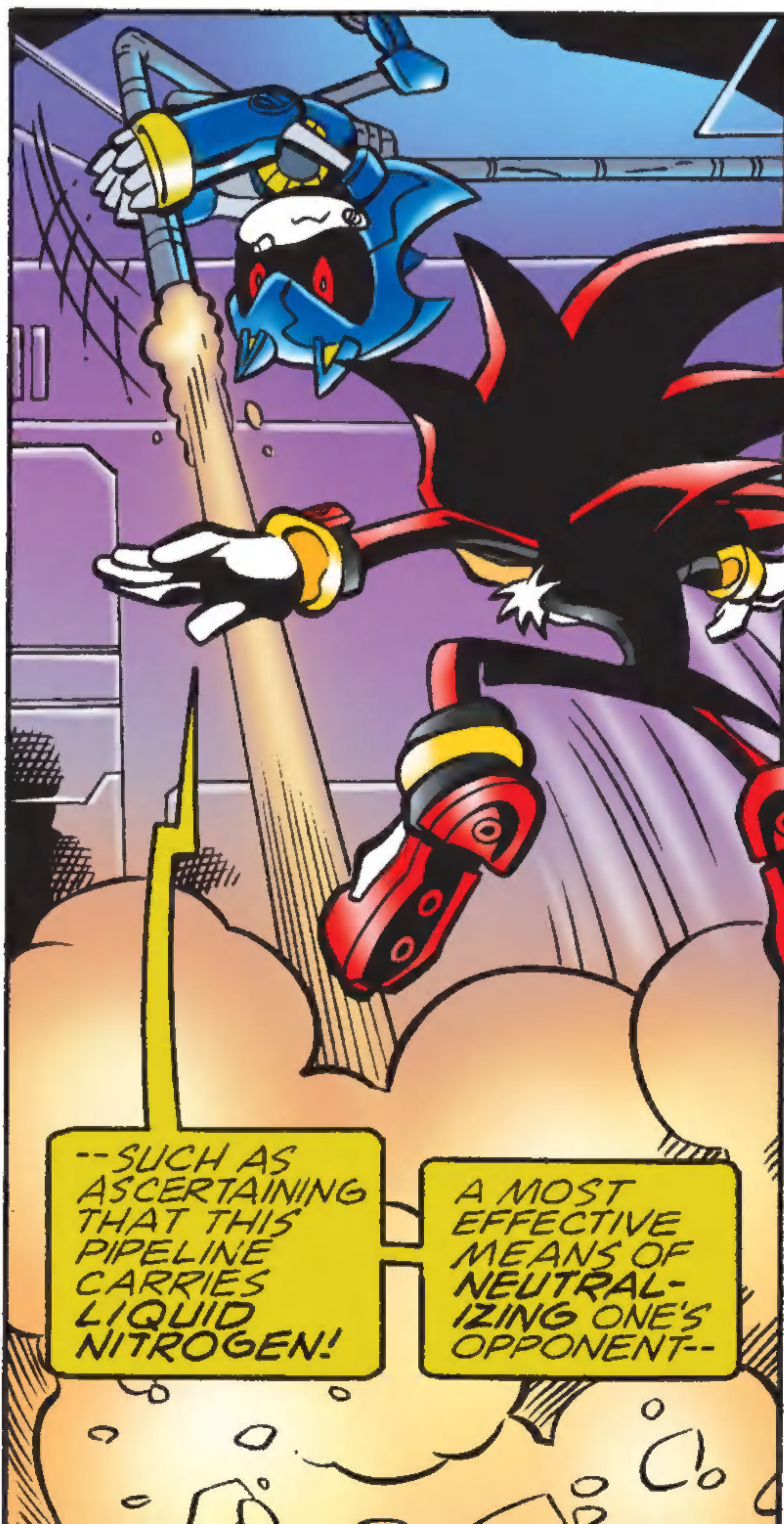
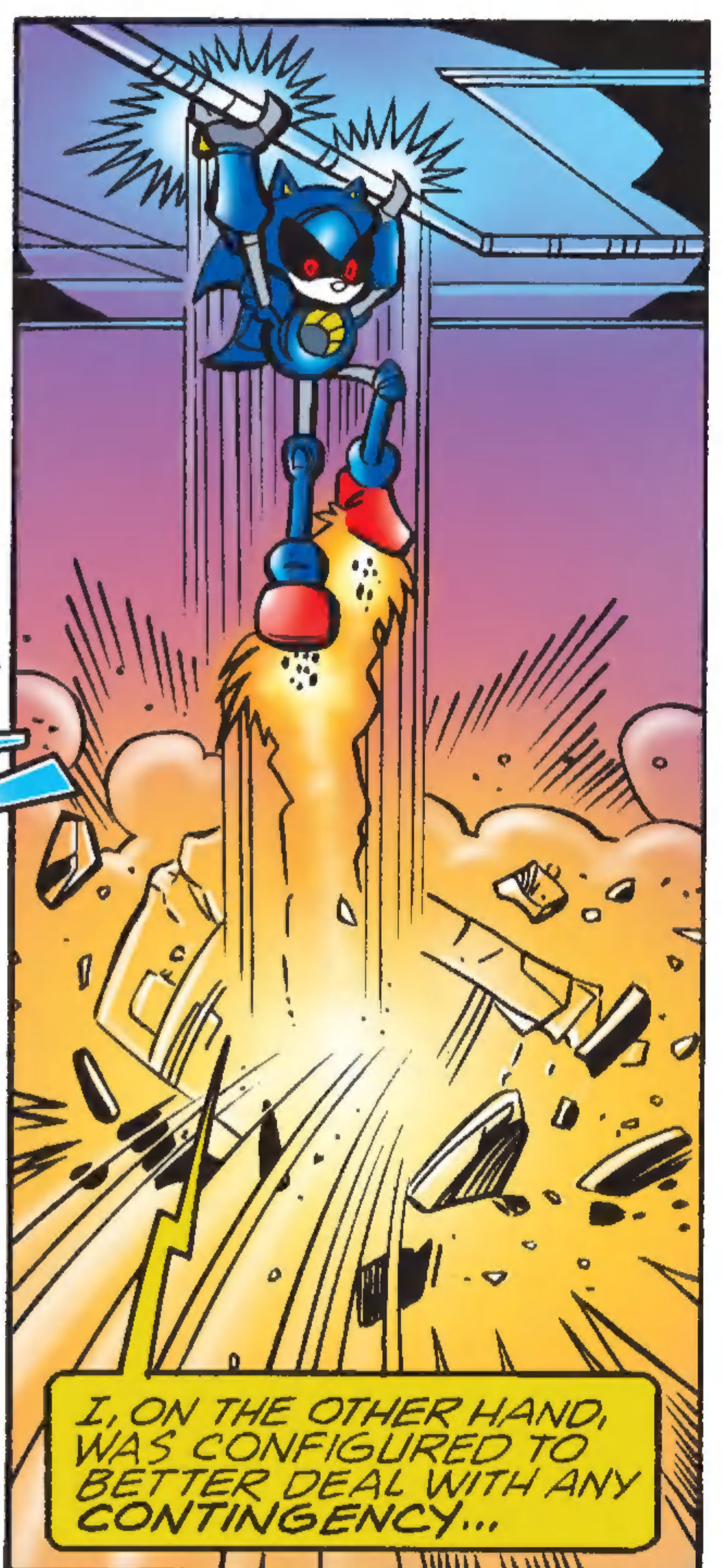
I WAS SO STARTLED BY THE IMAGE OF THE PROFESSOR--

--THAT I OVERLOOKED OTHER DANGERS!

WHY WASTE ENERGY EXPENDED IN MINDLESS COMBAT--

--WHEN THIS SHOULD ELIMINATE THE OPPOSITION WITH ONE SWIFT ACTION?





I UNDERSTAND NOW WHY THE PREVIOUS MODEL DIDN'T SURVIVE ITS ENCOUNTER WITH YOU!*

*A SOMEWHAT SKEWED VERSION OF EVENTS DEPICTED IN SONIC # 149.

I, ON THE OTHER HAND, WAS CONFIGURED TO BETTER DEAL WITH ANY CONTINGENCY...

...AND HIGHER-GRADE SENSORS ENABLING ME A VARIETY OF OPTIONS--

--SUCH AS ASCERTAINING THAT THIS PIPELINE CARRIES LIQUID NITROGEN!

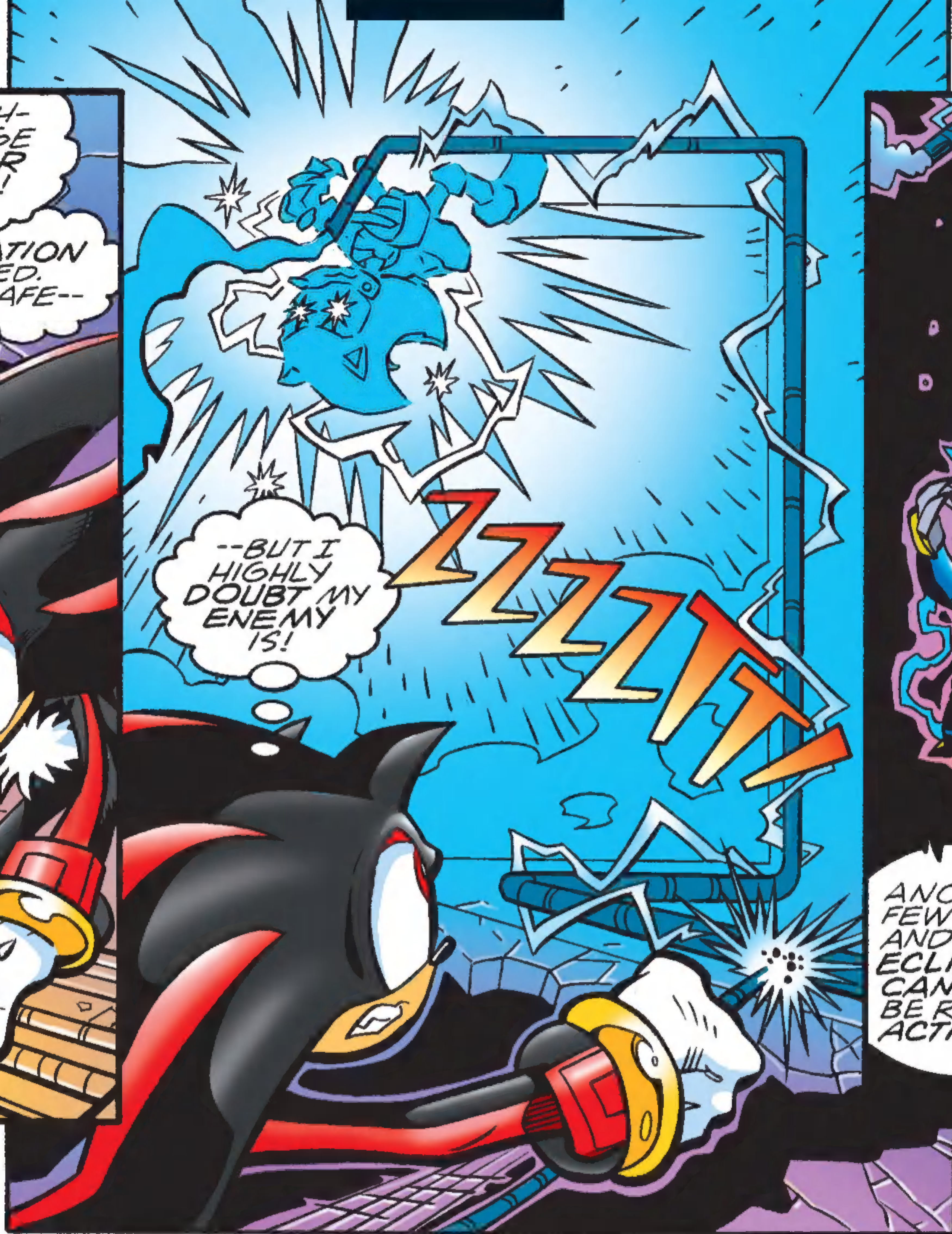
A MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS OF NEUTRALIZING ONE'S OPPONENT--

--WOULDN'T YOU AGREE?



HIGH-VOLTAGE POWER LINES!

INSULATION COVERED. I'M SAFE--

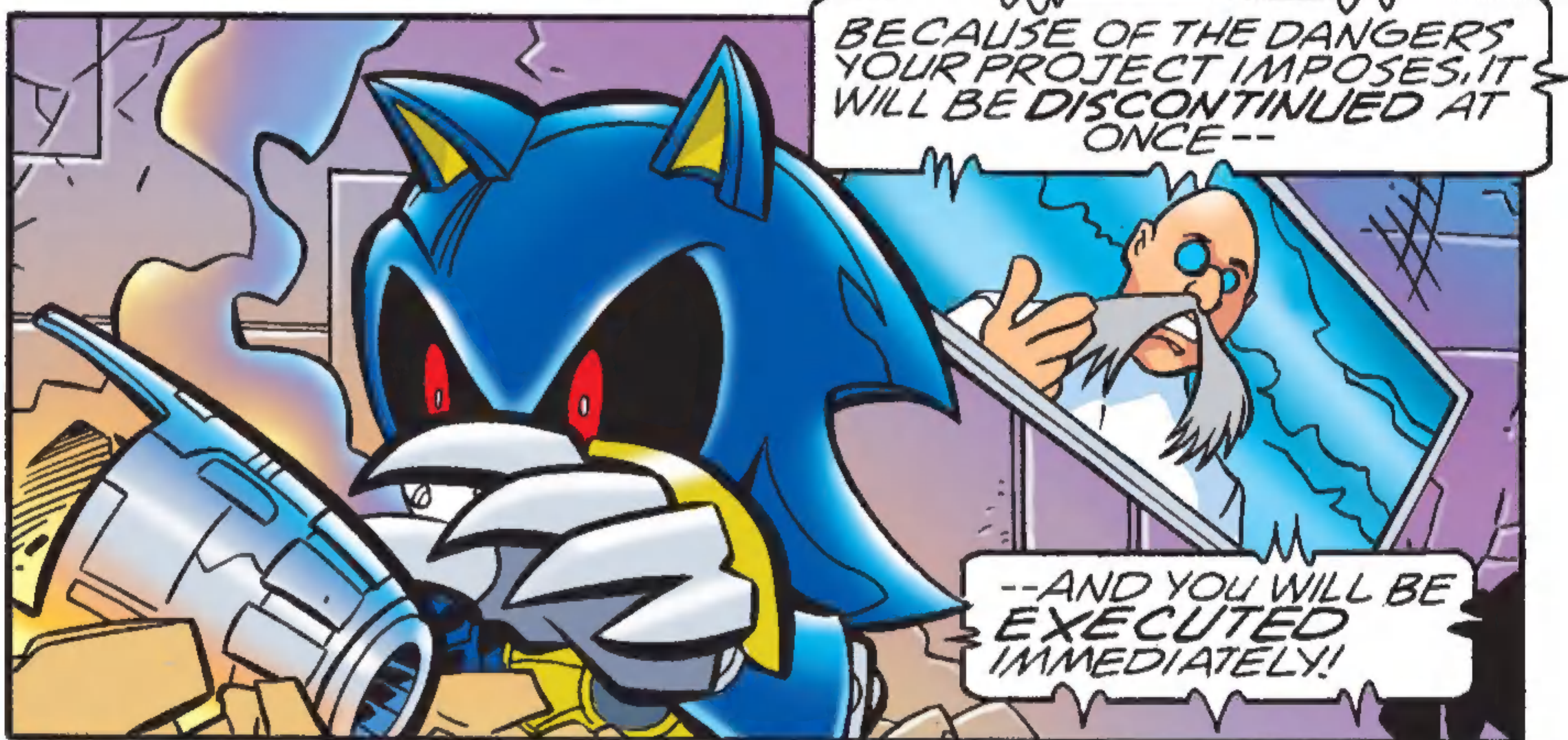
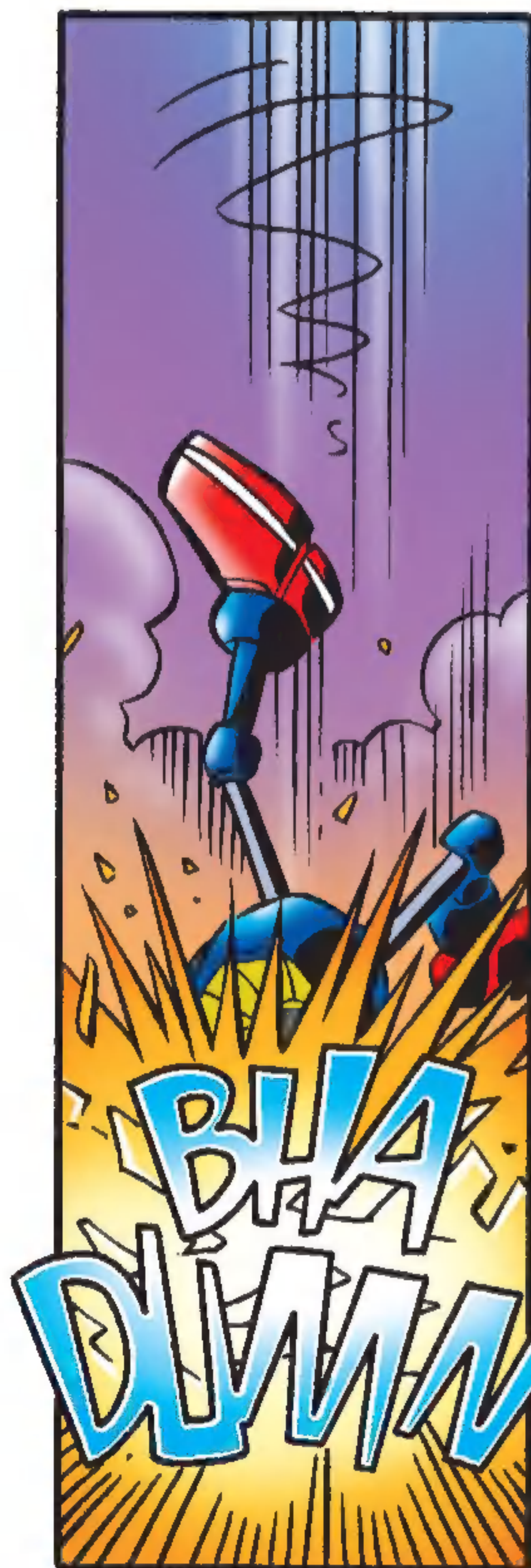


--BUT I HIGHLY DOUBT MY ENEMY IS!

ZZZZT!

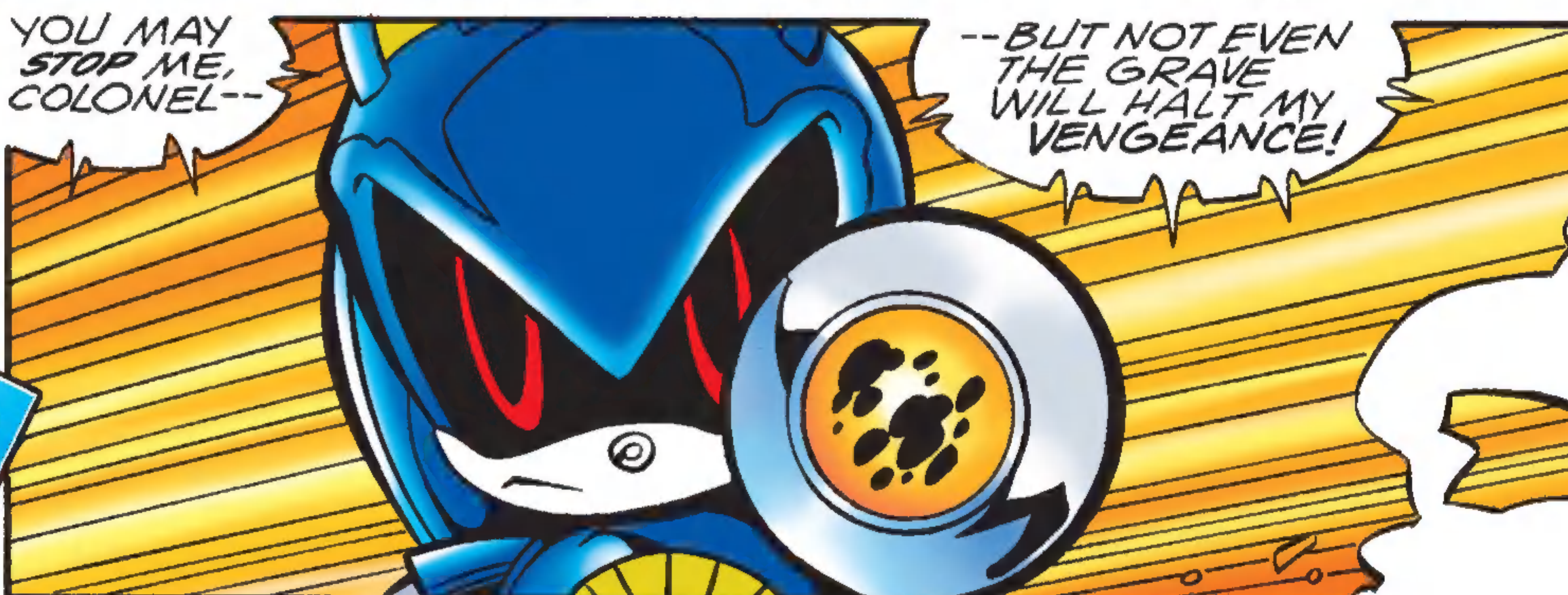


ANOTHER FEW MINUTES AND THE ECLIPSE CANNON WILL BE READY FOR ACTIVATION!



BECAUSE OF THE DANGERS YOUR PROJECT IMPOSES, IT WILL BE DISCONTINUED AT ONCE--

--AND YOU WILL BE EXECUTED IMMEDIATELY!



YOU MAY STOP ME, COLONEL--

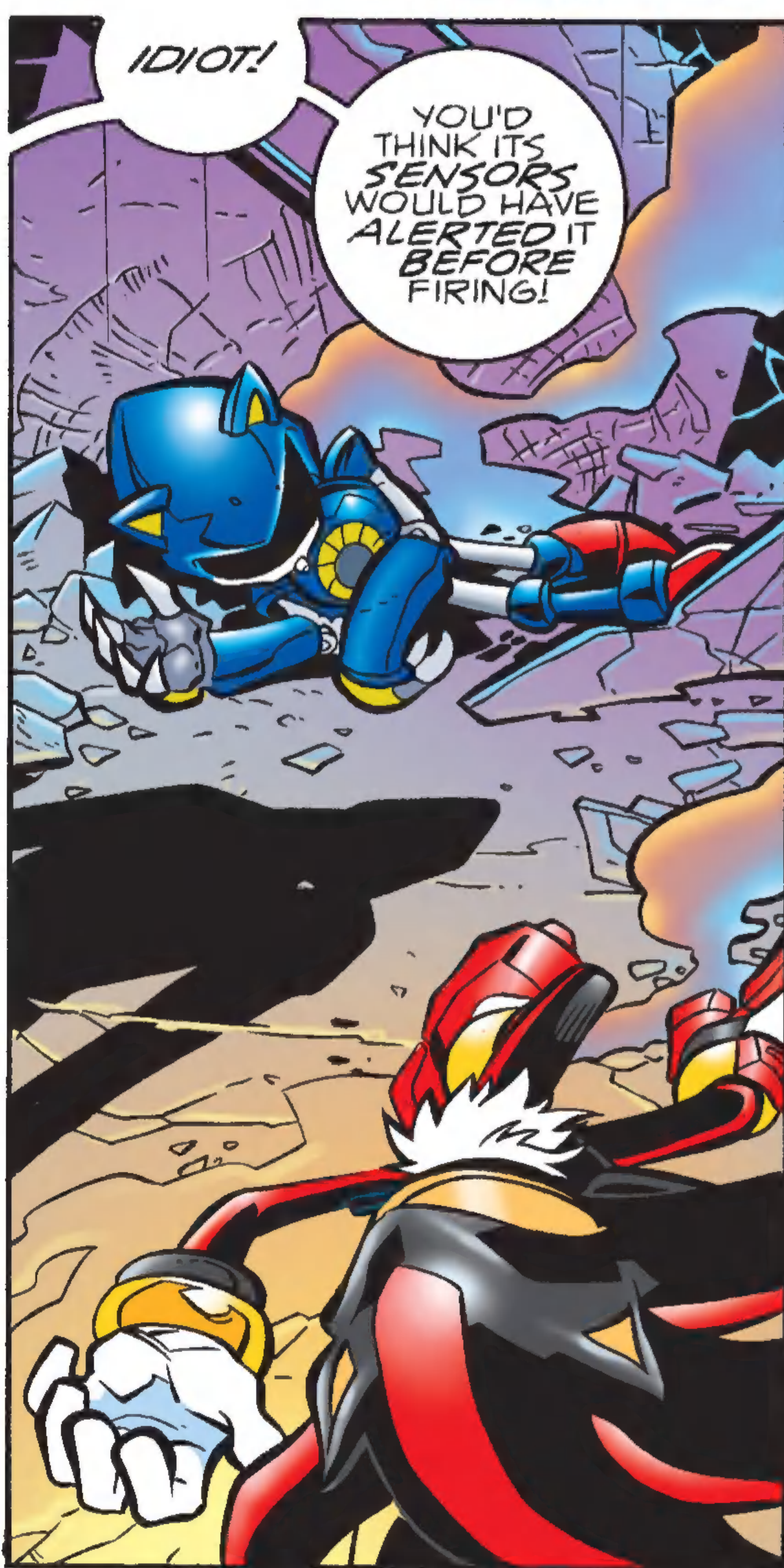
--BUT NOT EVEN THE GRAVE WILL HALT MY VENGEANCE!



THWOSH!!



KATHUNK



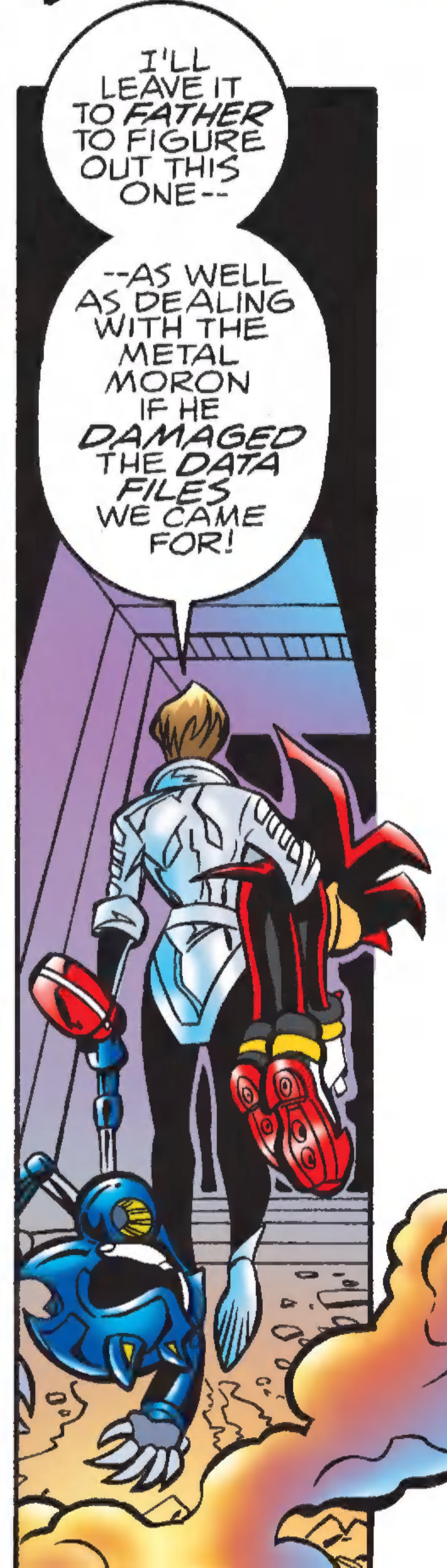
IDIOT!

YOU'D THINK ITS SENSORS WOULD HAVE ALERTED IT BEFORE FIRING!



INTERESTING! WHAT HAVE WE HERE?

A HEDGEHOG --BUT NOT SONIC!



I'LL LEAVE IT TO FATHER TO FIGURE OUT THIS ONE--

--AS WELL AS DEALING WITH THE METAL MORON IF HE DAMAGED THE DATA FILES WE CAME FOR!

THE NORMAL HUMMING AND CLICKING SOUNDS HEARD THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT IN THE NERVE CENTER OF A HIGHLY-ADVANCED BASE OF OPERATIONS IS PIERCED WITH THE SUDDEN BURST OF THE KLAXOM ALARM SOUNDING!

BRRP-BRRP-

NOT LONG AGO, THE RESPONSE WOULD BE IMMEDIATE AND DECISIVE--

--BUT THAT WAS BEFORE DR. ROBOTNIK WAS RECONSTRUCTED IN HUMAN FORM...*

ZZZZZZ

SN--Huh?

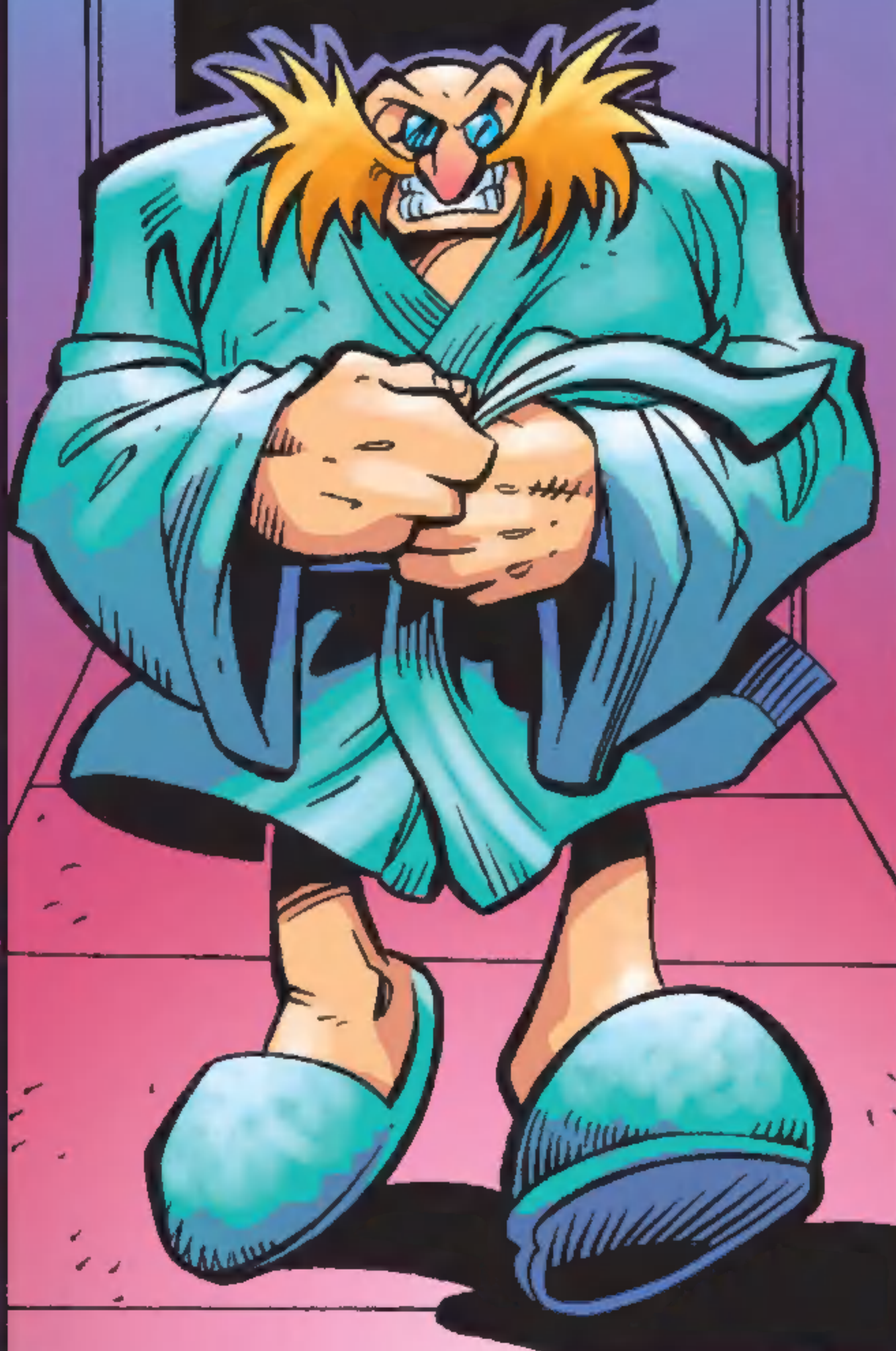
WHA-?!

BRRP-

*WAY BACK IN SONIC #118!

ENOUGH, ALREADY!

BRRP-BRRP-



ALARM OFF!

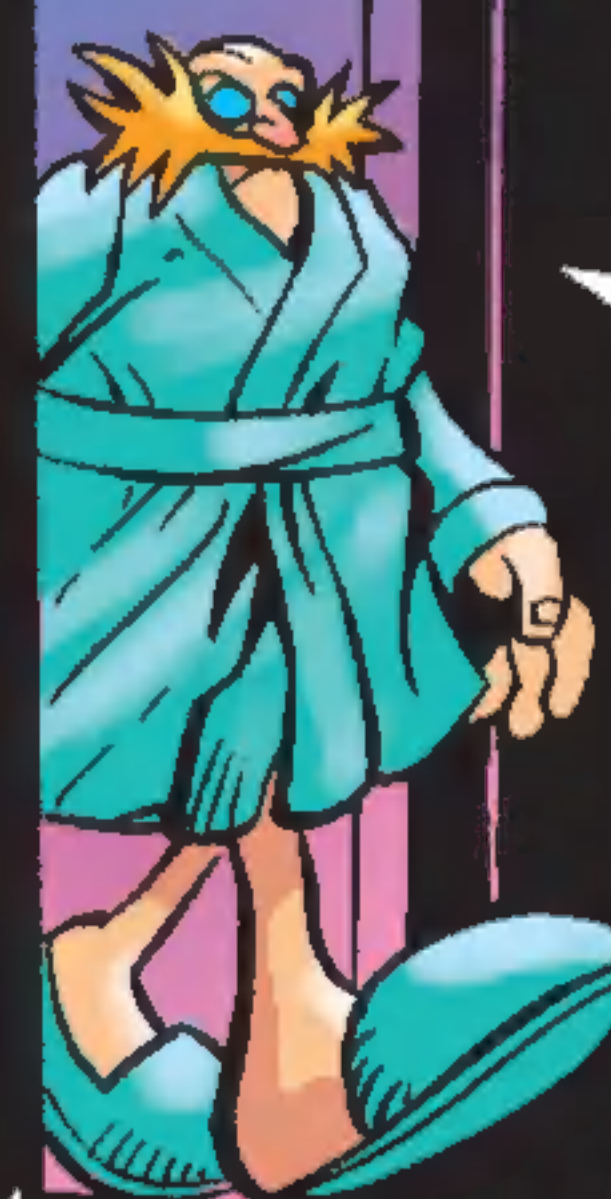
BRRP-BRRP-BRRP-

CON-FOUNDED VOICE RECOGNITION SENSOR!

A MAN JUST CAN'T GET A DECENT NIGHT'S SLEEP IN THIS PLACE!

IF I REMAIN IN THIS FORM MUCH LONGER, I'LL GO MAD!

DRASTIC MEASURES ARE CALLED FOR!



BUT WHAT?

NO!

IT ISN'T POSSIBLE--!

BRRP-BRRP-



BRRP-BRRP-BRRP!

I DIDN'T
MEAN *THIS*
DRASTIC!

WHAT
DOES IT
MEAN?

At exactly 12:00:00 AM on the current
calendar year 3237, Dr. Robotnik will
undergo a...

SYSTEM SHUTDOWN

KEN
PENDERS
writer

RON
LIM
pencils

JIM
AMASH
inks

JACK
MORELLI
letters

JASON
JENSEN
colors

MIKE
PELLERITO
editor

WHERE
DID THIS
ORIGINATE?

A.D.A.M.,
MAKE YOUR-
SELF USEFUL!
FIRST, DISABLE
THE ALARM--

--AND SECOND, REPORT ANY
AND ALL DATA RELEVANT
TO THE CURRENT INCOMING
TRANSMISSION!

COMPLYING.

BRR

MUCH
BETTER!
CONTINUE!

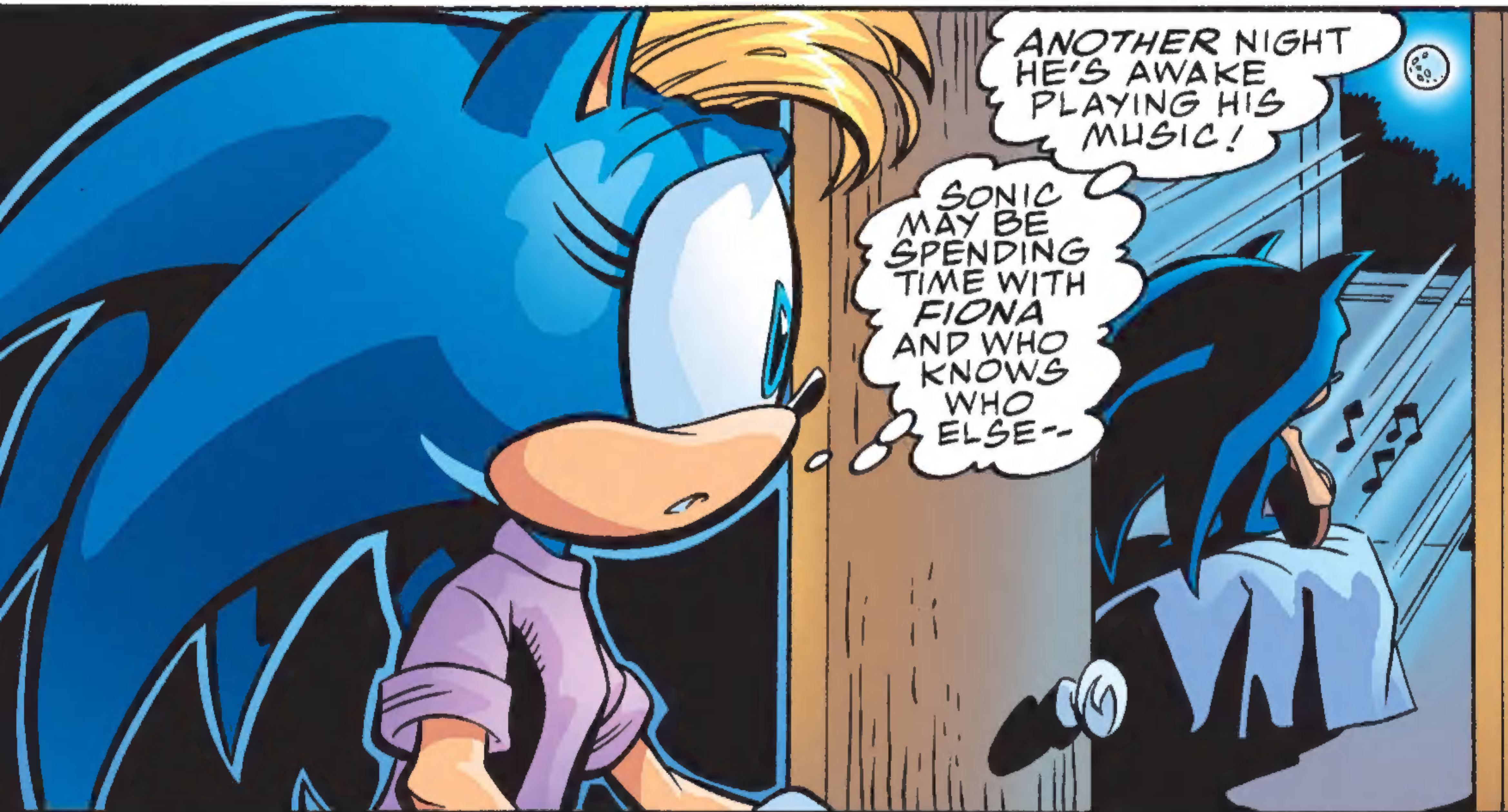
ORIGIN OF MESSAGE
UNKNOWN. TRACING
MULTIPLE RELAY SITES--
IMPOSSIBLE TO
DETERMINE INITIAL
POINT. AS IT STANDS--



"--YOU'LL BE THE LEAST OF SONIC'S CONCERNS IN NINETEEN HOURS, FOURTEEN MINUTES AND 32.3 SECONDS!"

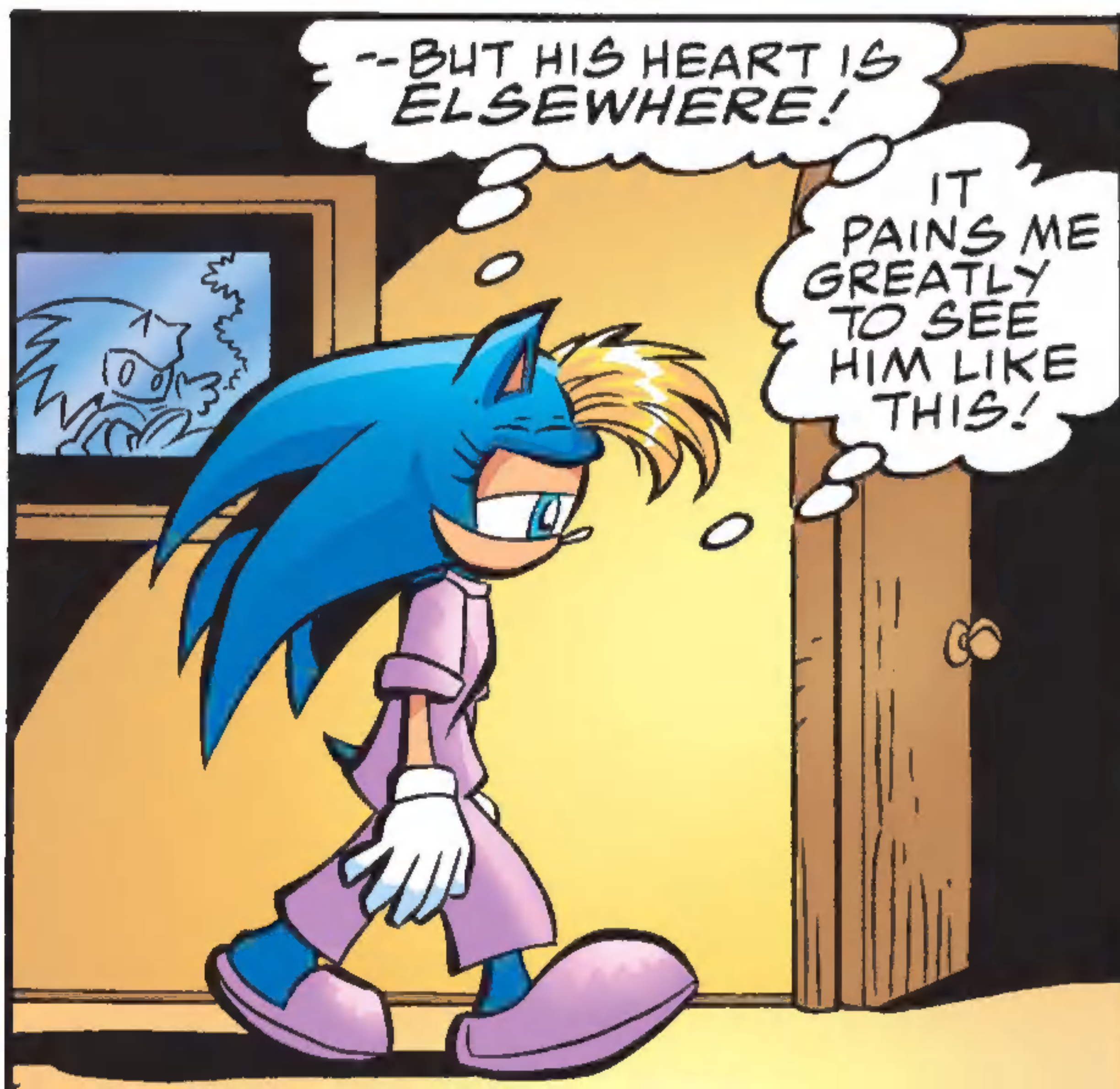


ALL THE BATTLES FOUGHT AND WON,
THE FRIENDS WHO'VE COME AND GONE,
THE TIMES I'VE SPENT APART WITHOUT YOU--



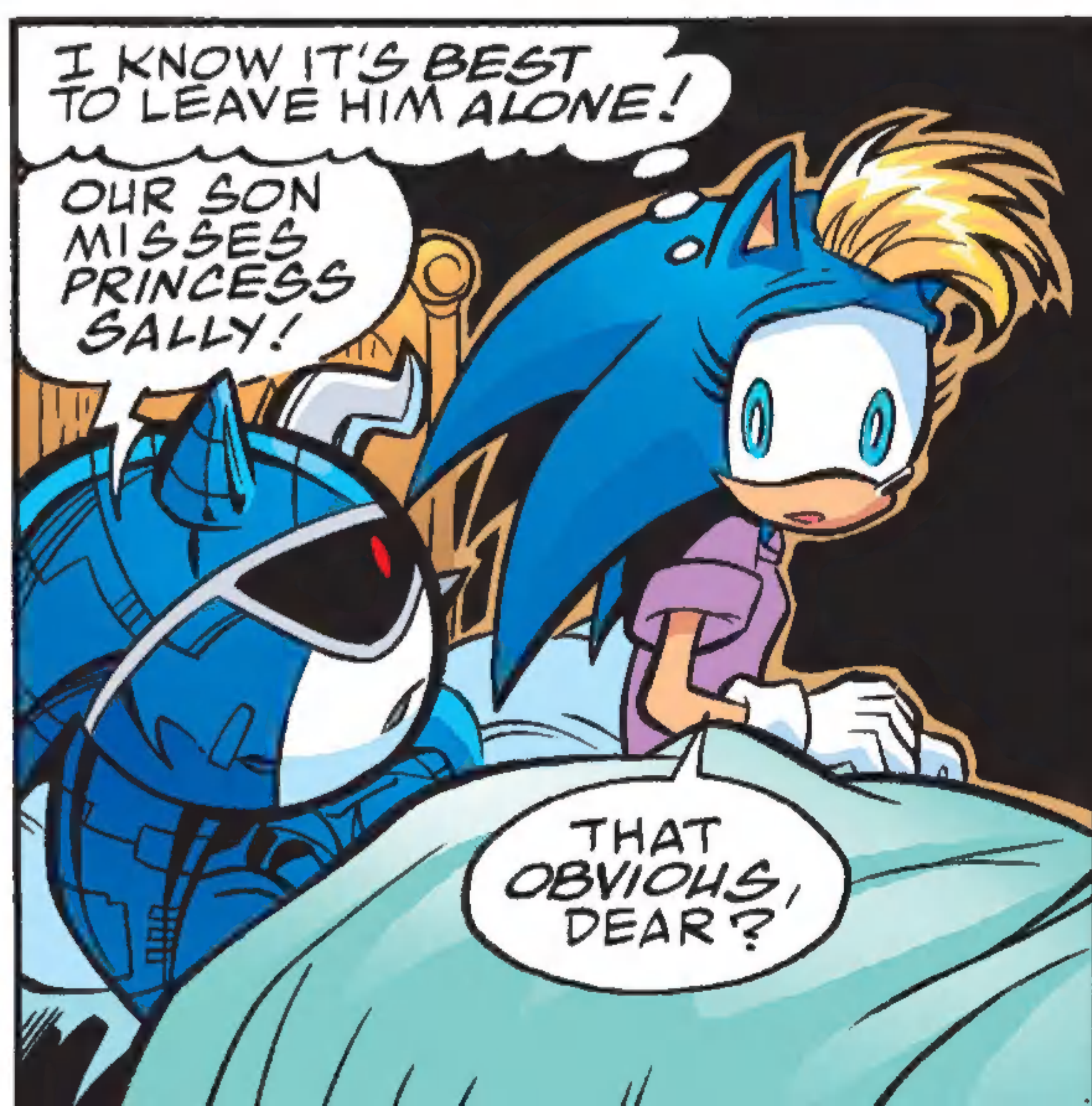
ANOTHER NIGHT HE'S AWAKE PLAYING HIS MUSIC!

SONIC MAY BE SPENDING TIME WITH FIONA AND WHO KNOWS WHO ELSE--



--BUT HIS HEART IS ELSEWHERE!

IT PAINS ME GREATLY TO SEE HIM LIKE THIS!



I KNOW IT'S BEST TO LEAVE HIM ALONE!

OUR SON MISSES PRINCESS SALLY!

THAT OBVIOUS, DEAR?

I SHOULD SPEAK
TO THE BOY FATHER
TO SON, BERNIE!

YOU'LL DO NO
SUCH THING,
JULES!

SONIC AND
SALLY NEED
TO WORK
THINGS OUT
THEM-
SELVES!*

WHAT
SONIC
REALLY
NEEDS--

*SEE THE BIG BREAK
UP IN SONIC #134.

"-- IS SOMETHING
TO FOCUS ON
BESIDES FIGHTING
ROBOTNIK..."

PERHAPS THROUGH
THE PROCESS OF
ELIMINATION WE CAN
FIGURE OUT WHO
WOULD DARE TO
THREATEN ME!

YOUR NEPHEW
SHIVELY IS THE
LIKELIEST
CANDIDATE...
WITH A PROBA-
BILITY FACTOR
IN THE 90th
PERCENTILE
RANGE.

AGREED, A.D.A.M.,
HOWEVER--

--THERE'S AN
EQUALLY VALID
POSSIBILITY KING
MAX MAY BE
BEHIND THIS, OR
HIS DAUGHTER
SALLY!--

--TO SAY NOTHING OF
THAT BLASTED GUARD-
IAN OF ANGEL ISLAND,
KNUCKLES! NOT EXACTLY
A LOT OF LOVE LOST
THERE, WOULDN'T YOU
SAY?

PERHAPS BY TAKING A BOLD, PRE-
EMPTIVE ACTION, YOU WILL DRAW
YOUR WOULD BE ASSAILANT OUT
OF HIDING--THUS
GIVING YOU AN EQUAL
FOOTING AGAINST
YOUR FOE!

BOLD, PRE-
EMPTIVE
ACTION, YOU
SAY? Hmm...



LATER THAT MORNING...

IT'S SUCH A BEAUTIFUL DAY WE'LL HAVE A PICNIC LATER, HOPE!

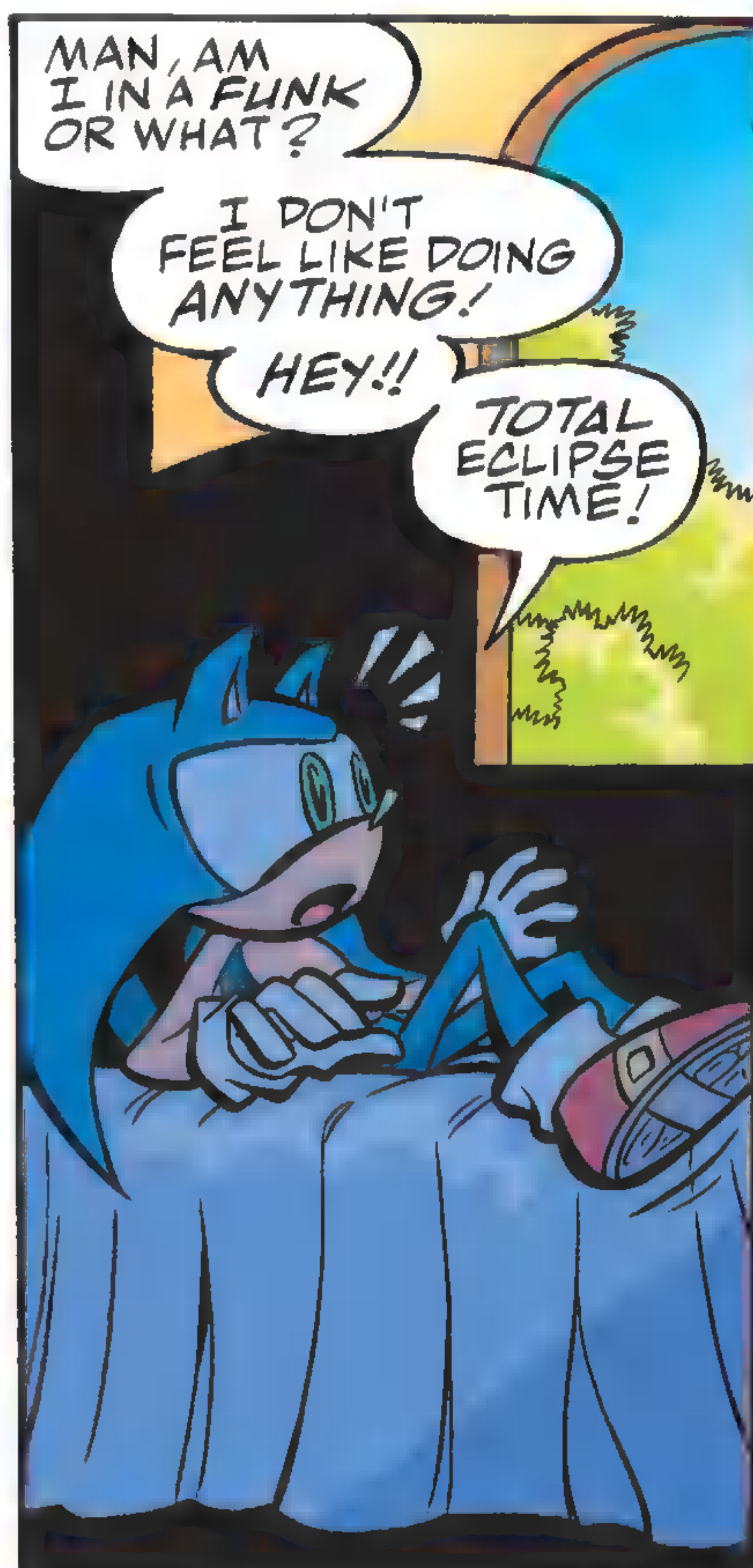
AWESOME, ROSIE! I JUST LOVE PICNICS!



HEY!

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SUN?!

Oh, MY!

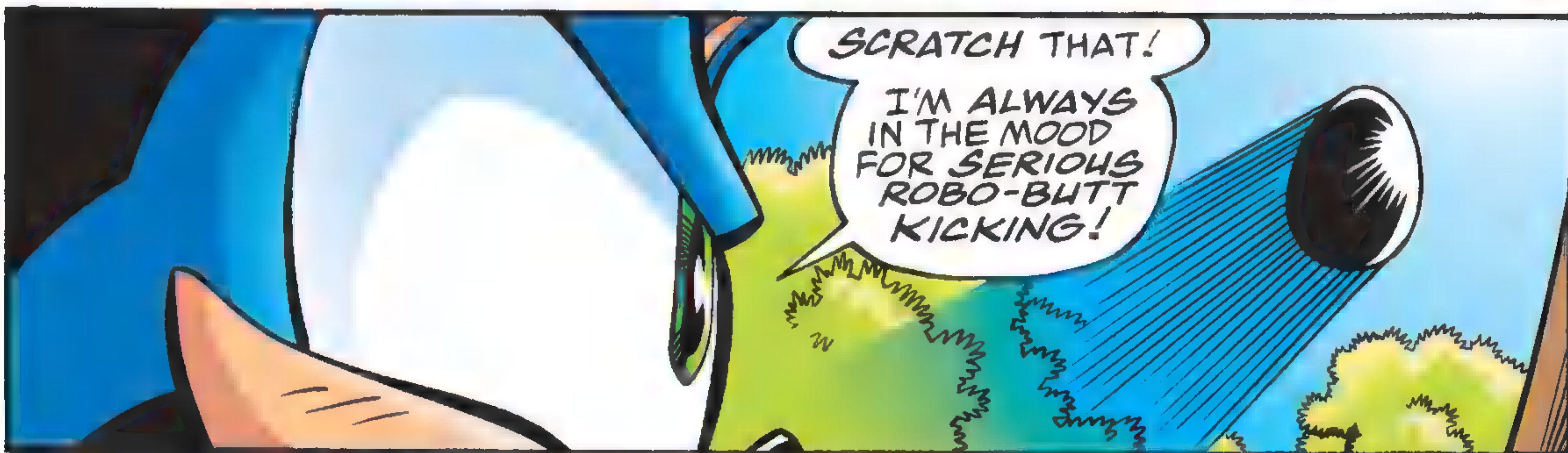


MAN, AM I IN A FLUNK OR WHAT?

I DON'T FEEL LIKE DOING ANYTHING!

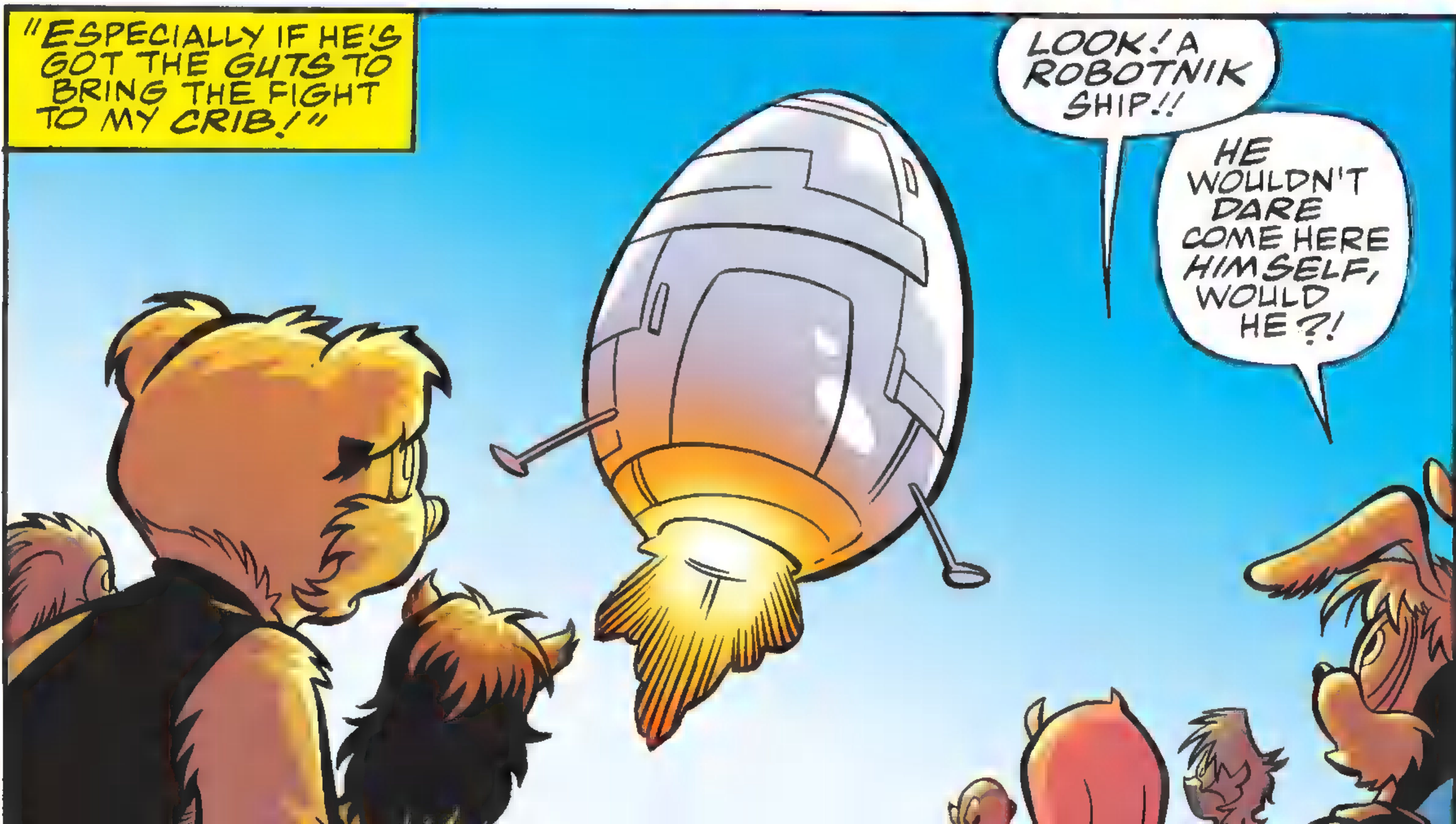
HEY!!

TOTAL ECLIPSE TIME!



SCRATCH THAT!

I'M ALWAYS IN THE MOOD FOR SERIOUS ROBO-BUTT KICKING!



"ESPECIALLY IF HE'S GOT THE GUTS TO BRING THE FIGHT TO MY CRIB!"

LOOK! A ROBOTNIK SHIP!!

HE WOULDN'T DARE COME HERE HIMSELF, WOULD HE?!



!GASP!

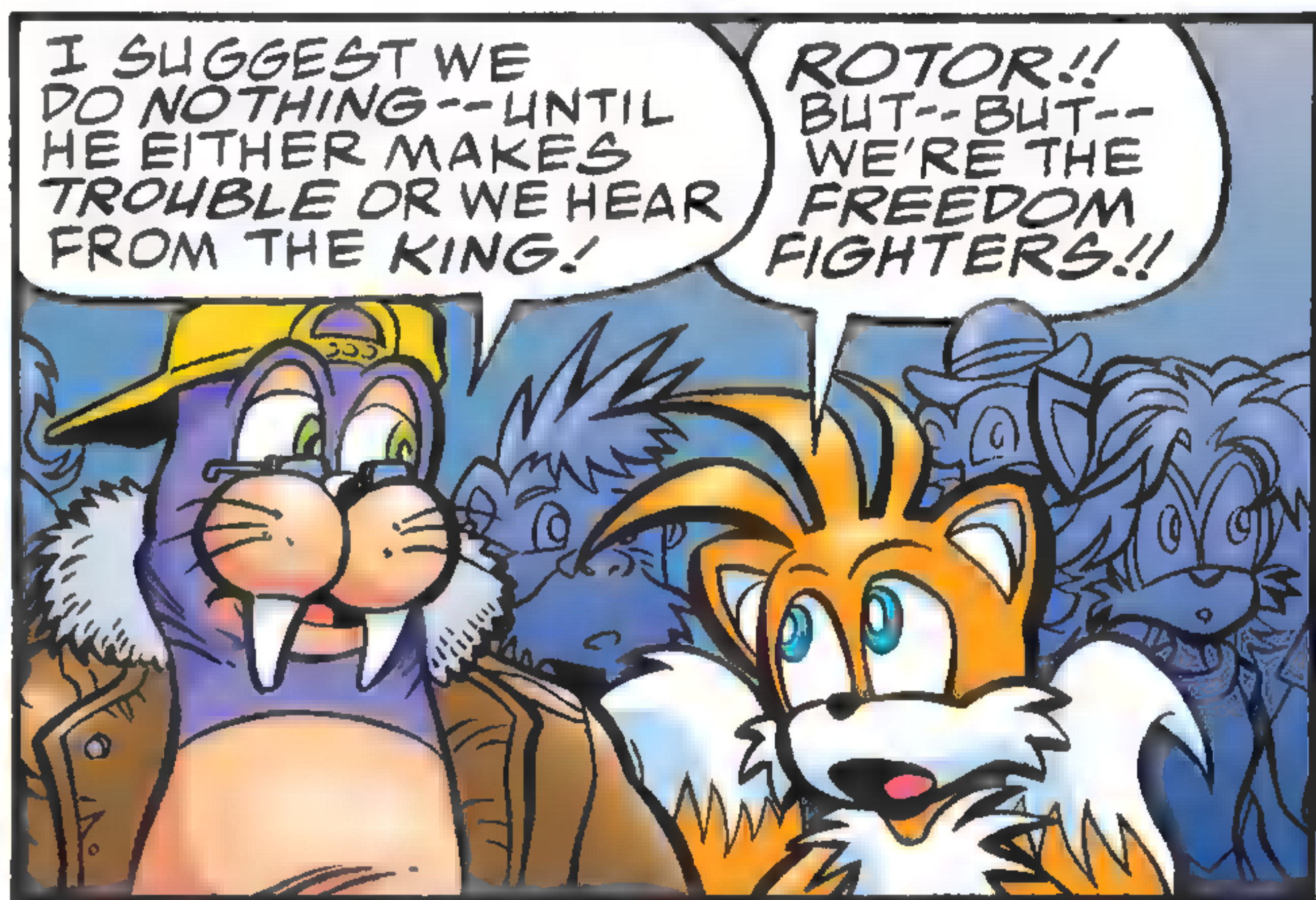
IT'S HIM!
IT'S REALLY
HIM!!

WHAT
DO WE
DO?!

I DUNNO!
SOUND THE
ALARM?
ATTACK?

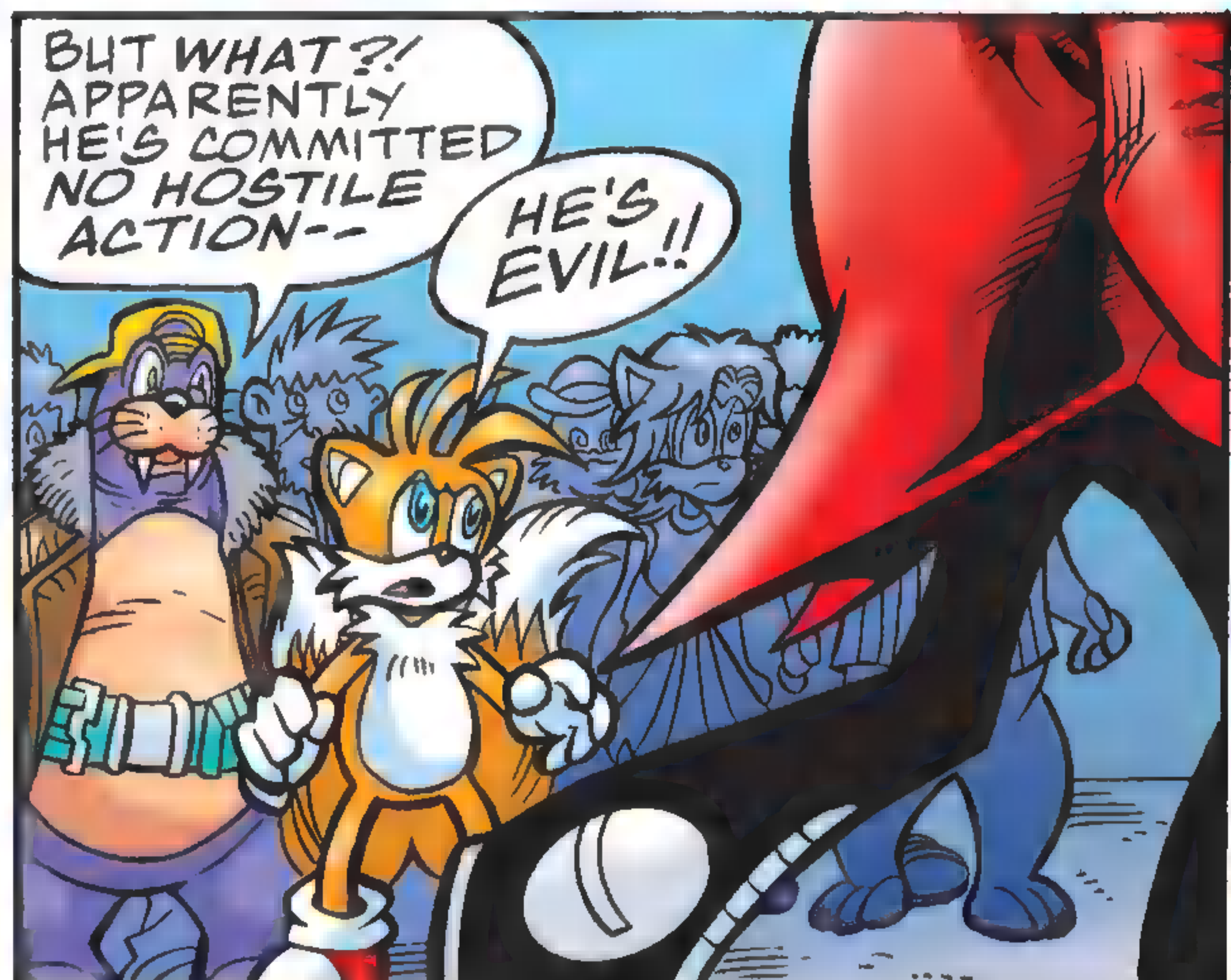
WHERE ARE
THE FREEDOM
FIGHTERS?!

SOMEBODY
GET
SONIC!



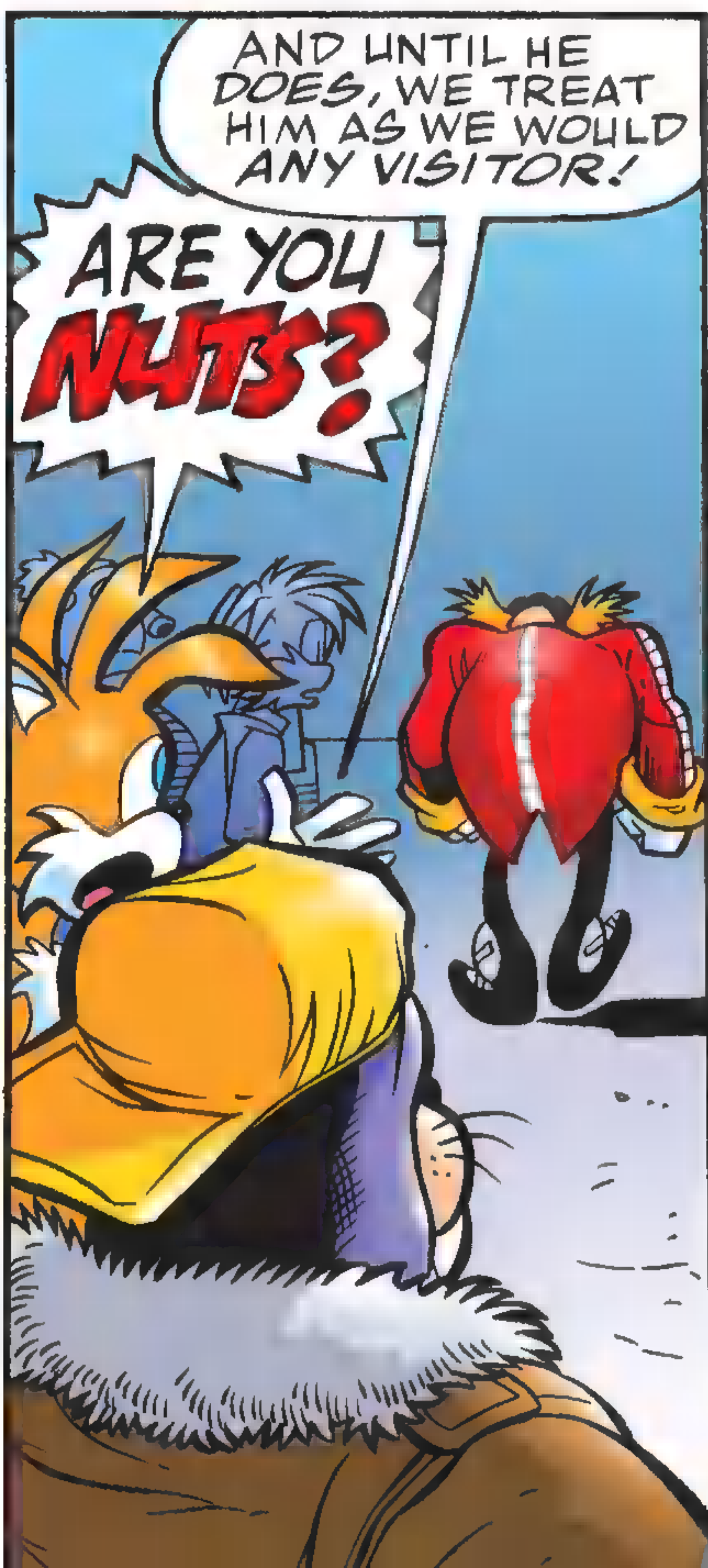
I SUGGEST WE
DO NOTHING--UNTIL
HE EITHER MAKES
TROUBLE OR WE HEAR
FROM THE KING!

ROTOR!!
BUT-- BUT--
WE'RE THE
FREEDOM
FIGHTERS!!



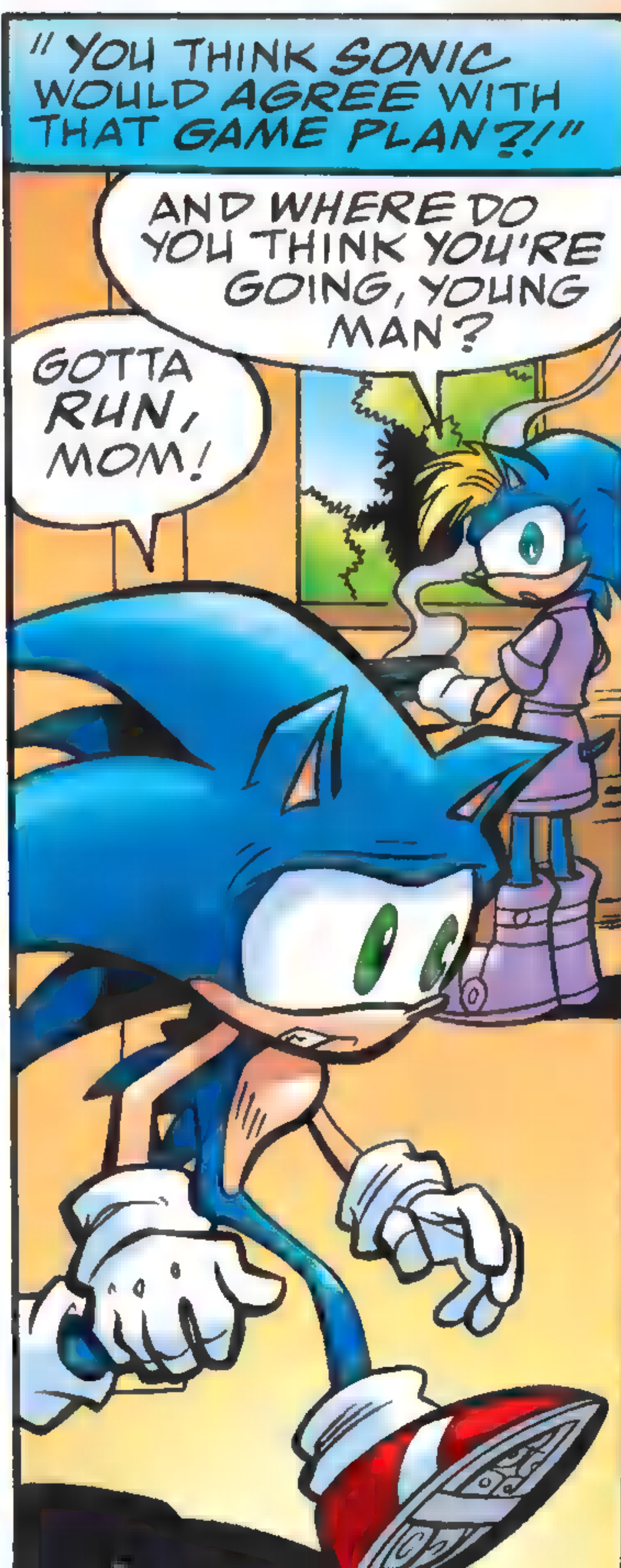
BUT WHAT?!
APPARENTLY
HE'S COMMITTED
NO HOSTILE
ACTION--

HE'S
EVIL!!



AND UNTIL HE
DOES, WE TREAT
HIM AS WE WOULD
ANY VISITOR!

ARE YOU
NUTS?



"YOU THINK SONIC
WOULD AGREE WITH
THAT GAME PLAN?!"

AND WHERE DO
YOU THINK YOU'RE
GOING, YOUNG
MAN?

GOTTA
RUN,
MOM!



NOT SO FAST! DID YOU
HAVE ANY BREAKFAST?

Uh... Umm...
Er... NO.

THEN
YOU'RE
NOT GOING
ANYWHERE UNTIL
YOU'VE HAD A
DECENT MEAL!

WHAT?

I CAN
TAKE CARE
OF MY-
SELF!

I'M STILL YOUR
MOTHER!

I KNOW YOU'RE TOUGH!
YOUR FATHER AND I HAVE
BEEN IN MANY BATTLES
OURSELVES! AND
BREAKFAST IS A
MUST!

WE WERE CAPTURED
BY ROBOTNIK FOR
YEARS, BUT I CAN
MAKE UP FOR LOST
TIME!

NOW HAVE
SOME FLAP-
JACKS!

SONIC! YOU
SHOULDN'T
WOLF DOWN
YOUR FOOD!

BUT, MOM--
Chomp!
Chomp!

AND TRY
NOT TO
SPEAK
WITH YOUR
MOUTH
FULL!

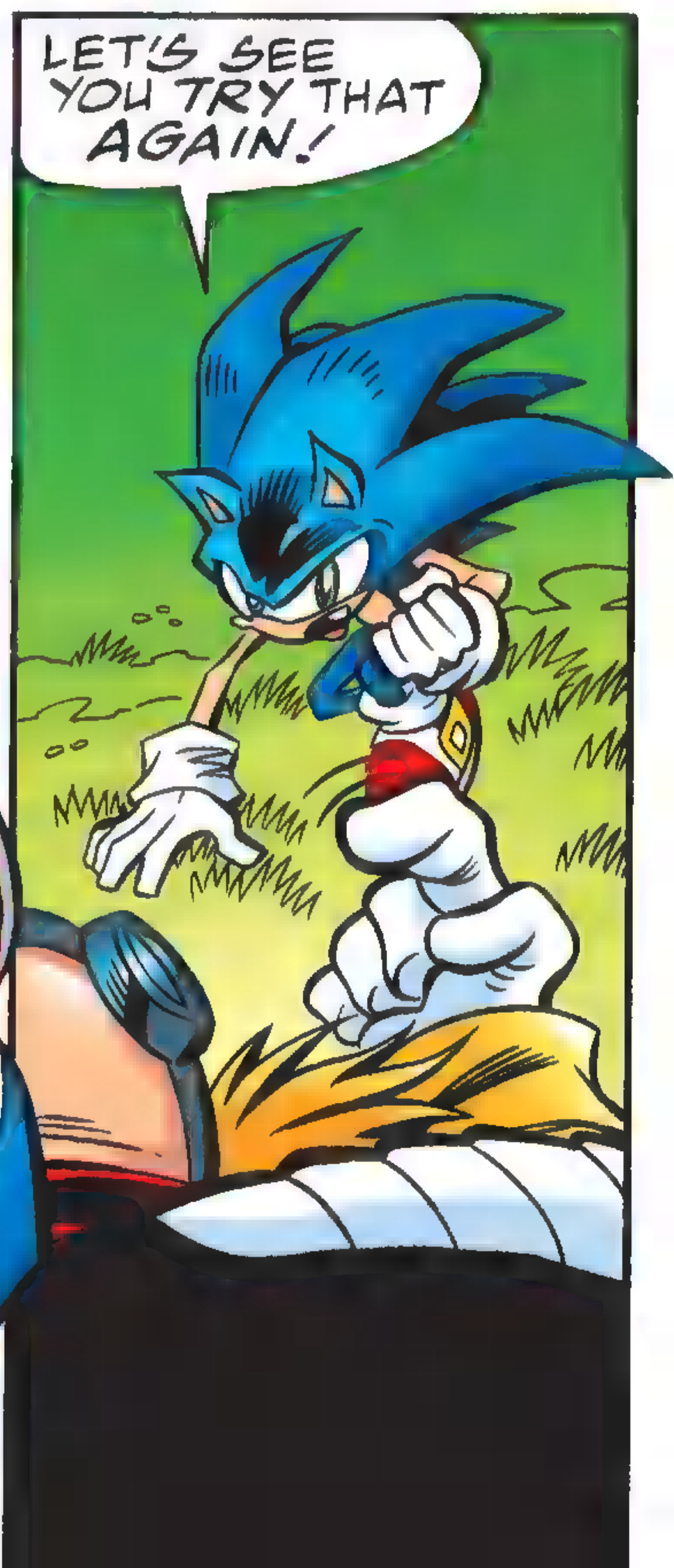
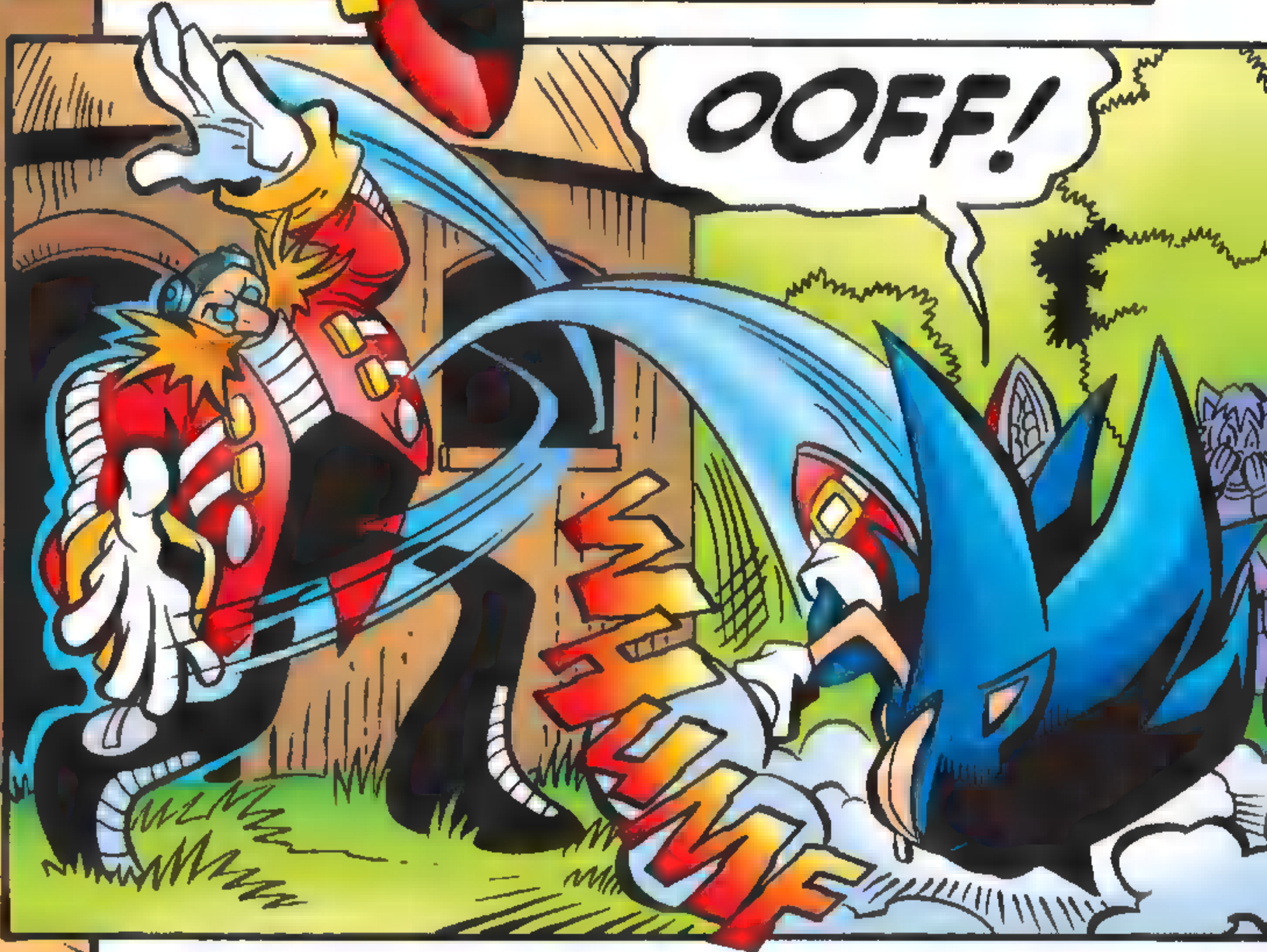
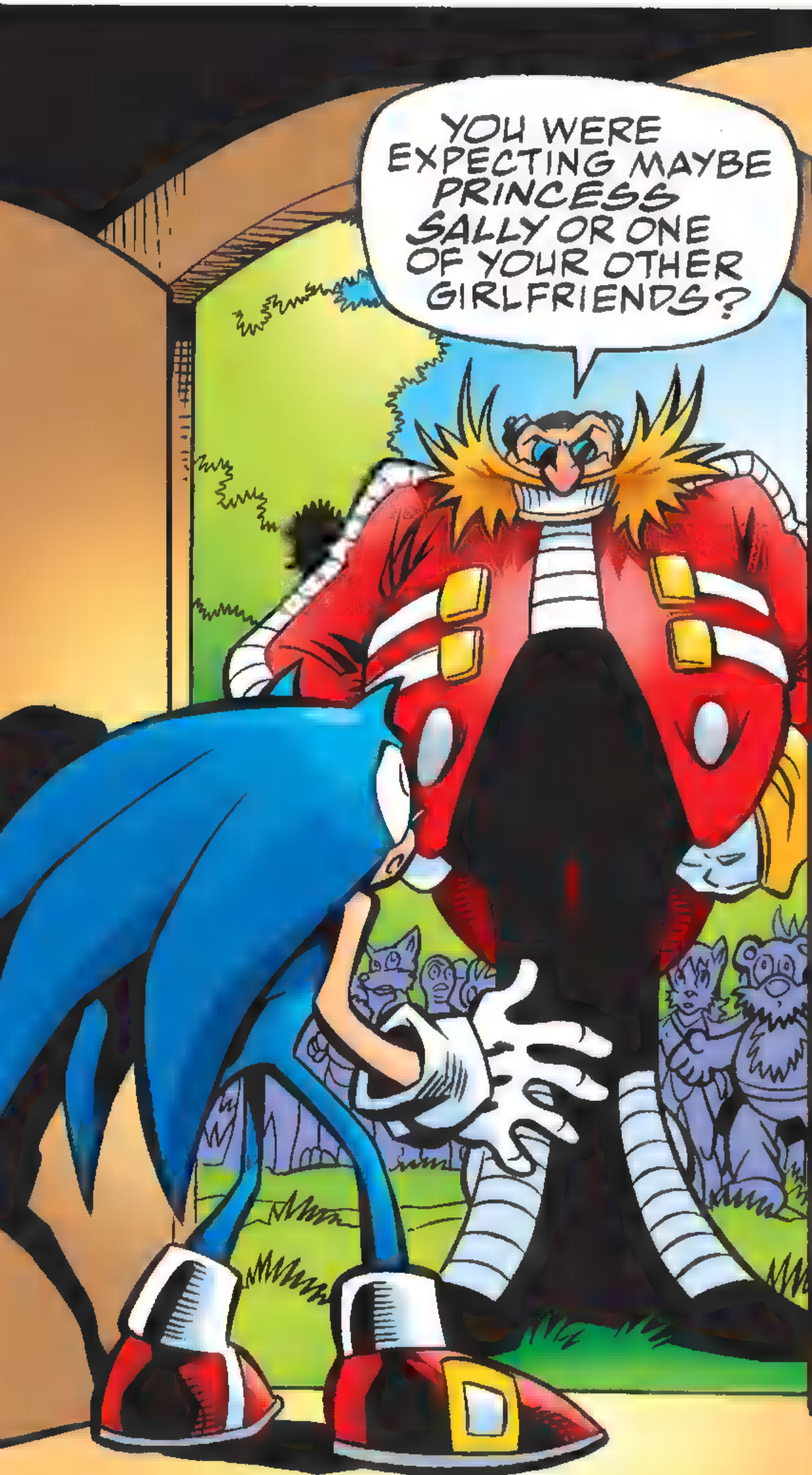
FINISHED!
GIANT ROBOTNIK
SHIP OVER-
HEAD!!

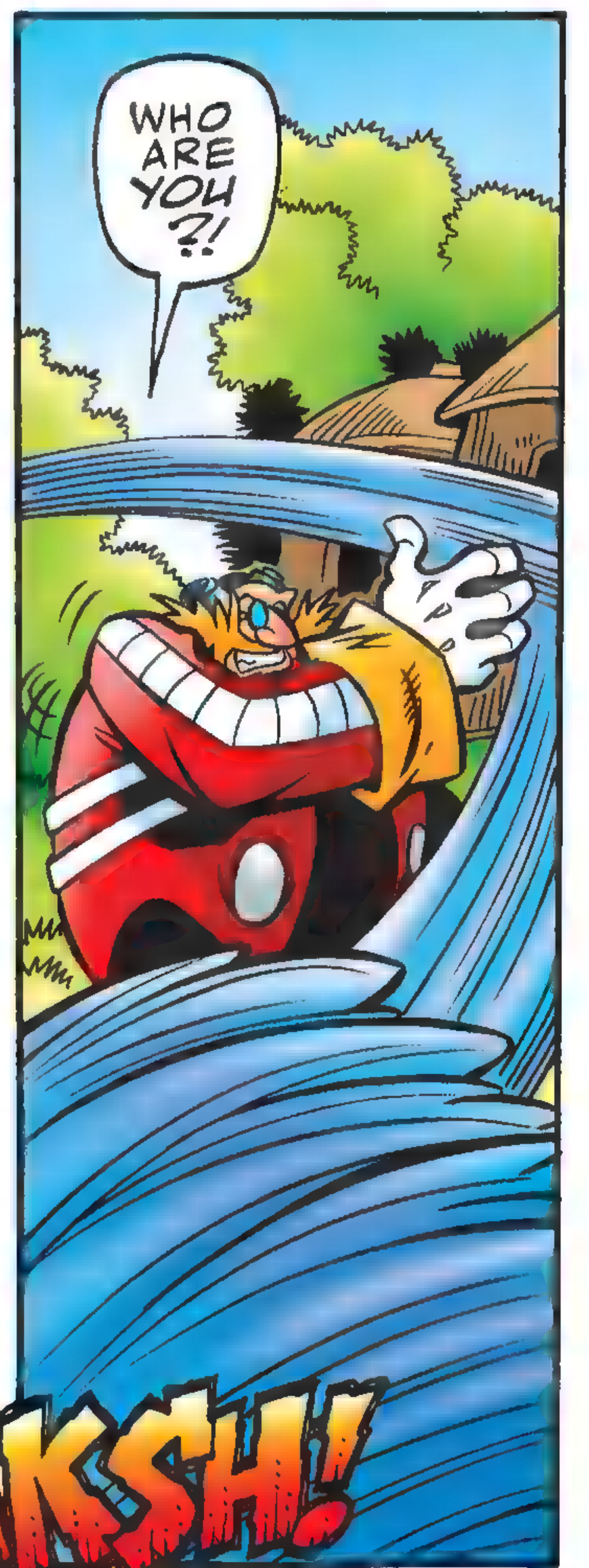
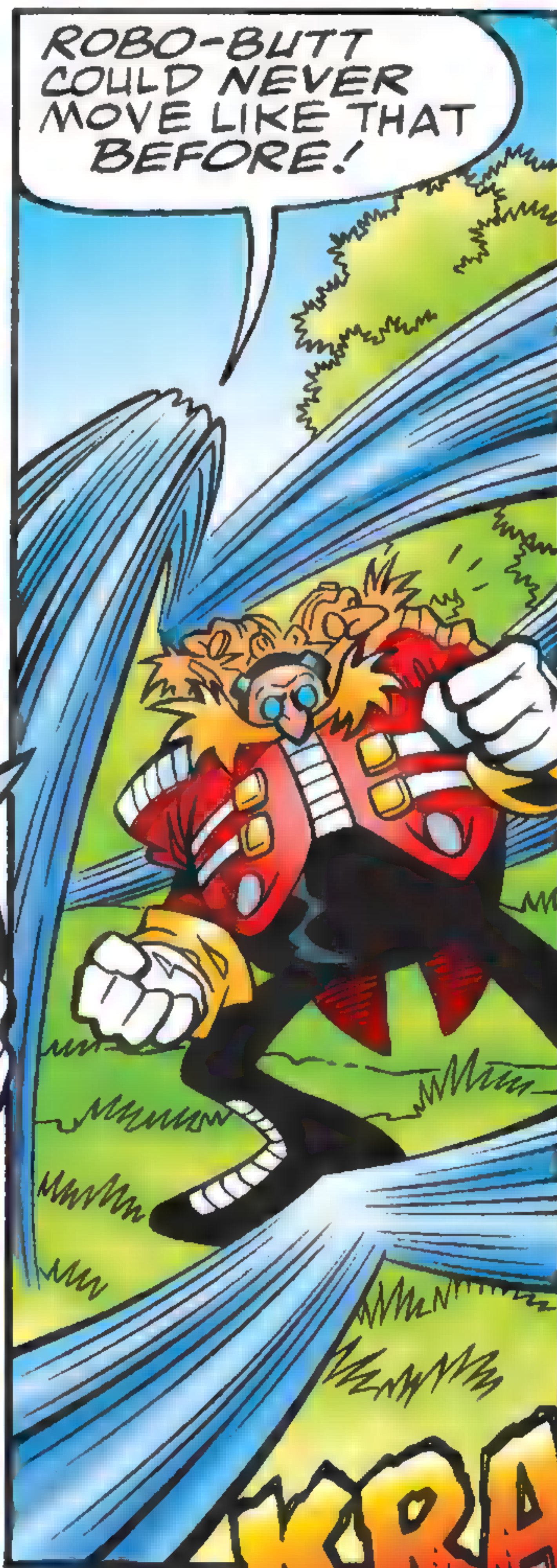
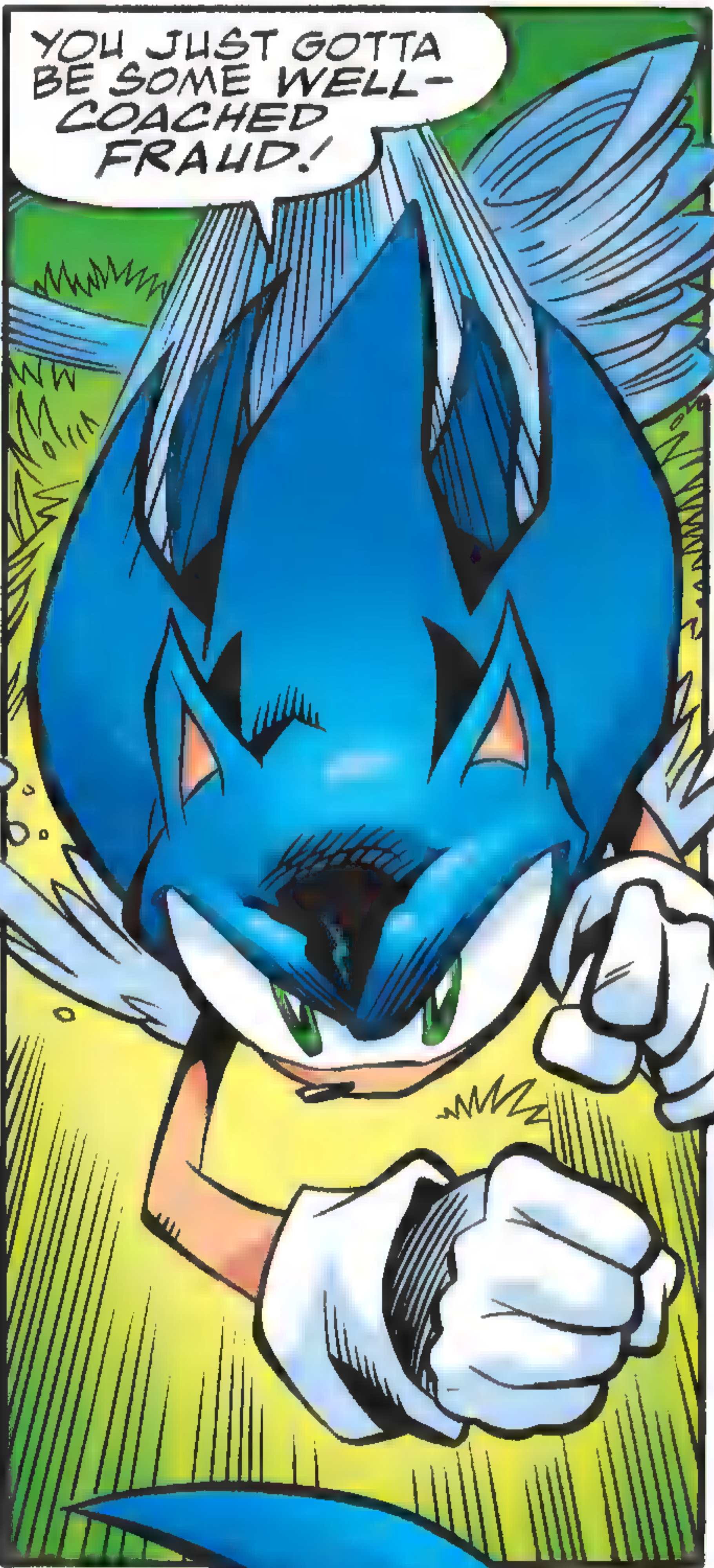
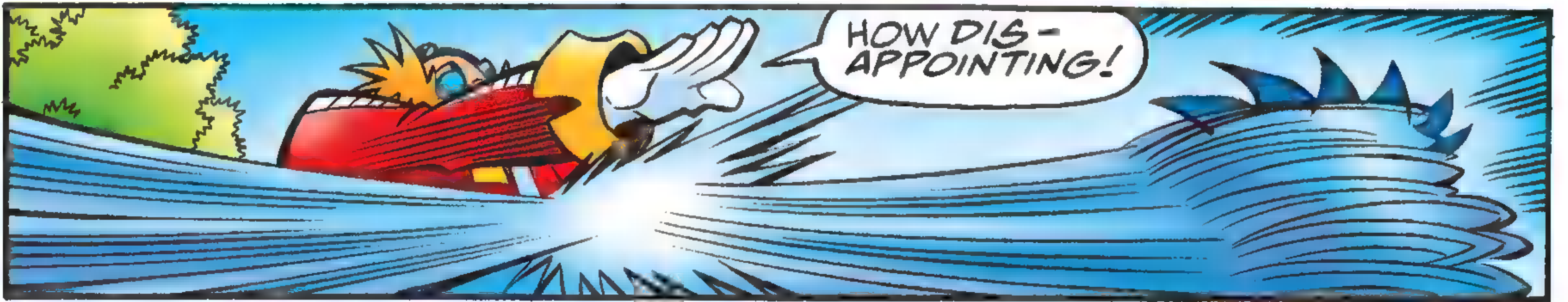
WHY DIDN'T
YOU SAY
SO?!

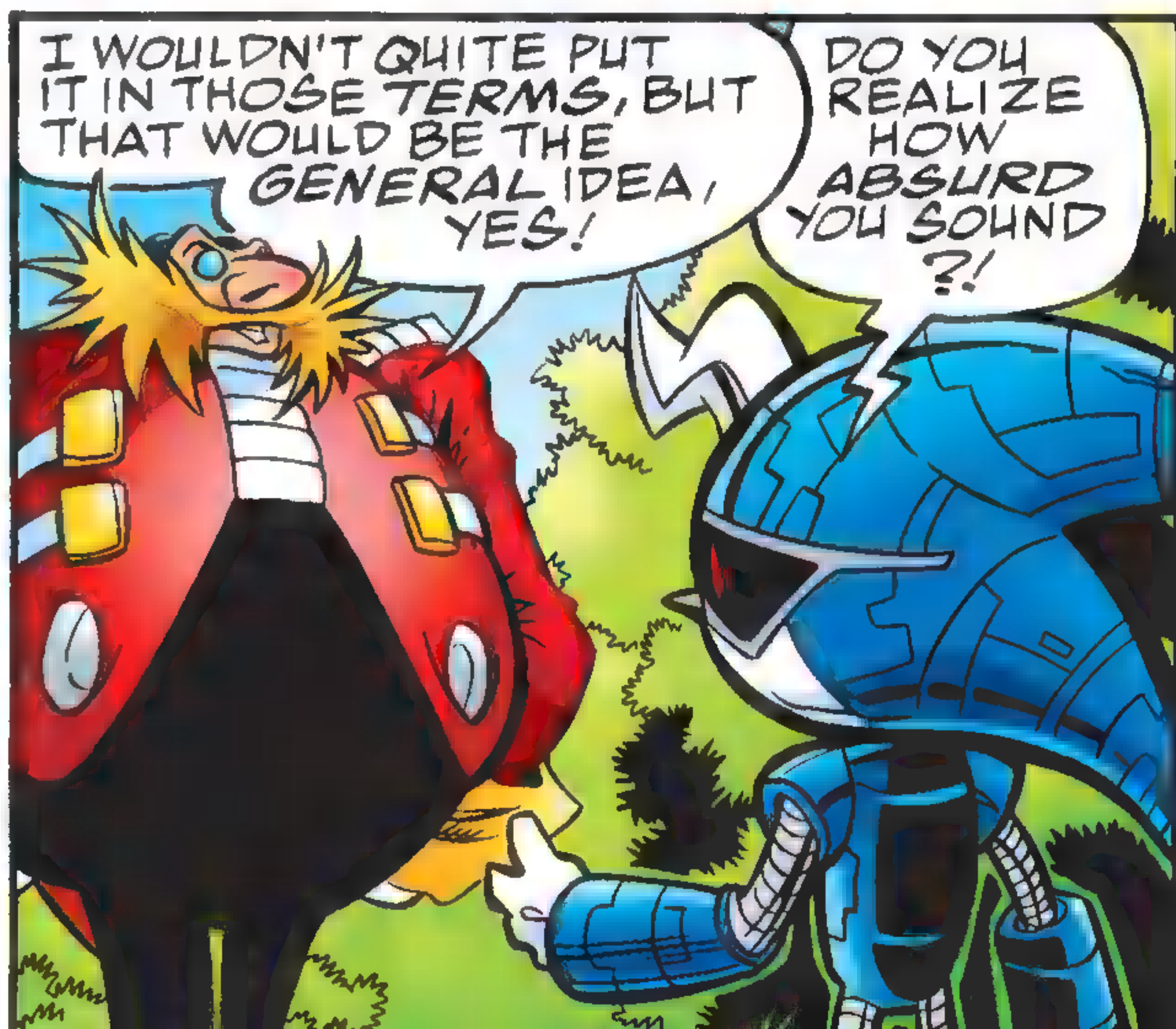
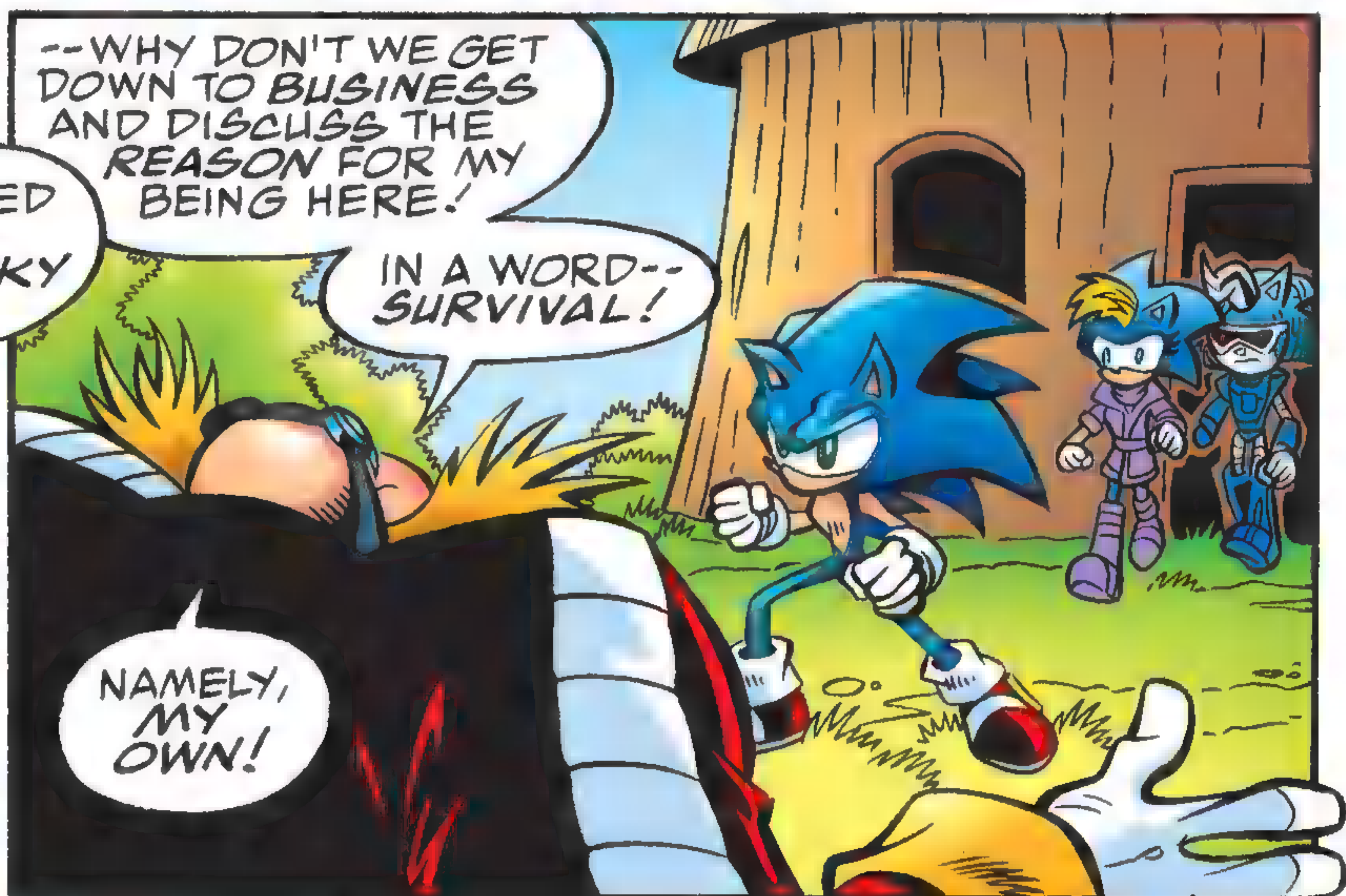
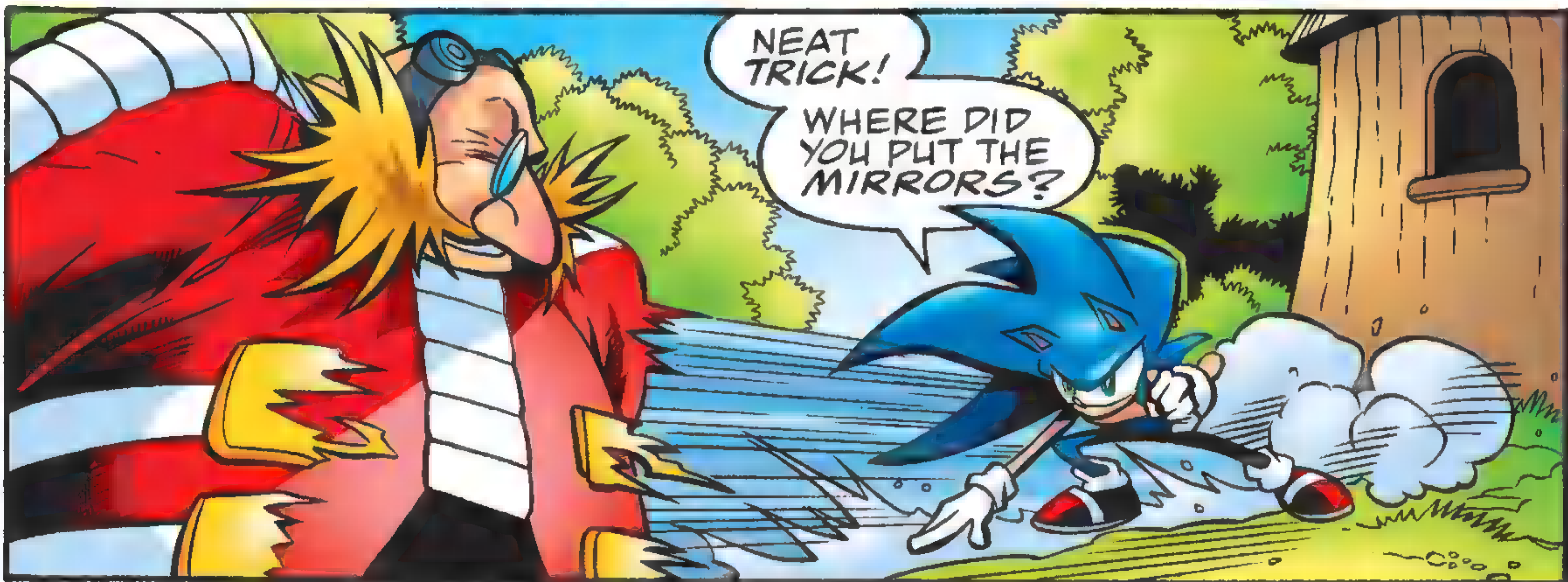
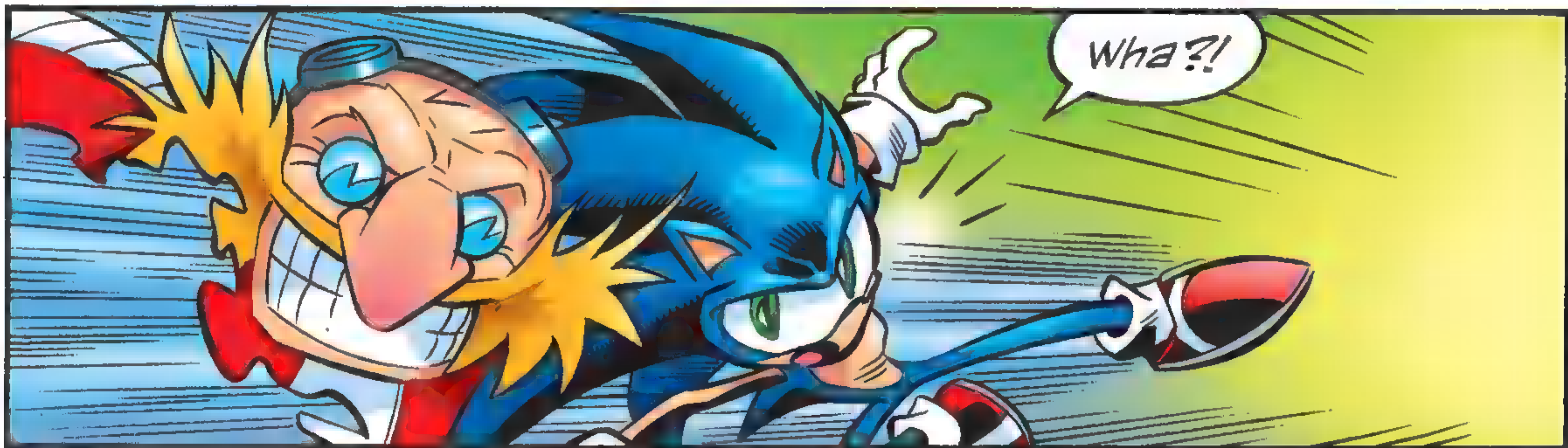
JUST BE
CAREFUL
OUT THERE,
OKAY?

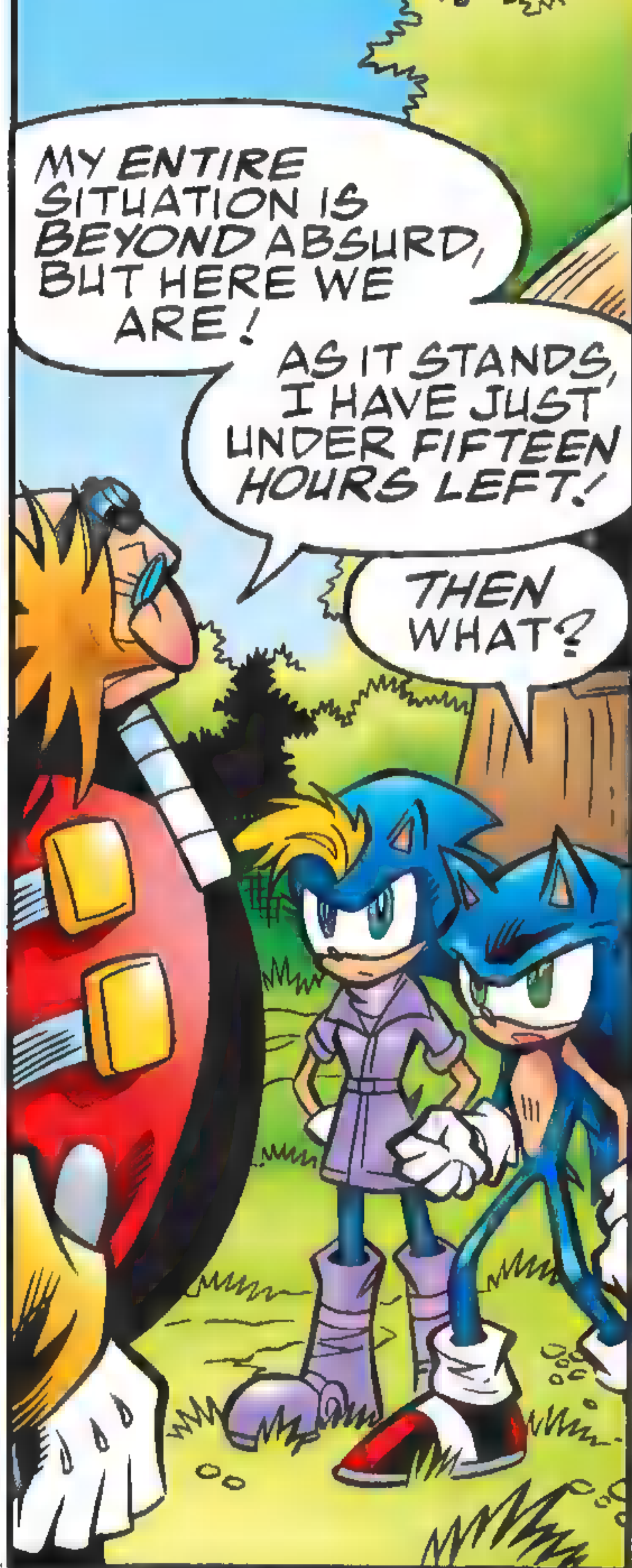
AWWW, MOM!
IT'S NOT LIKE I
WAS GOING TO--
AWWP!!

You!!





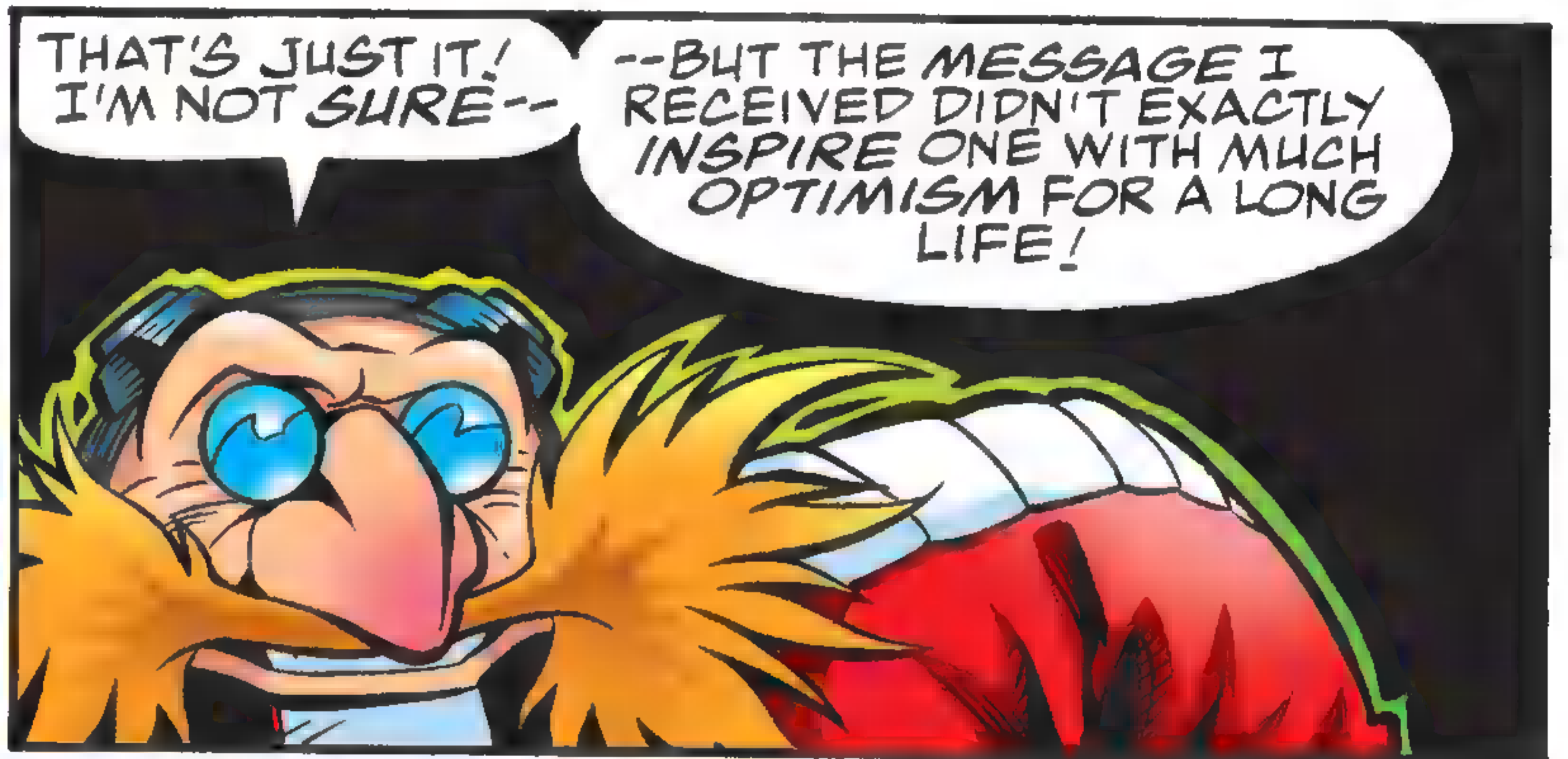




MY ENTIRE SITUATION IS BEYOND ABSURD, BUT HERE WE ARE!

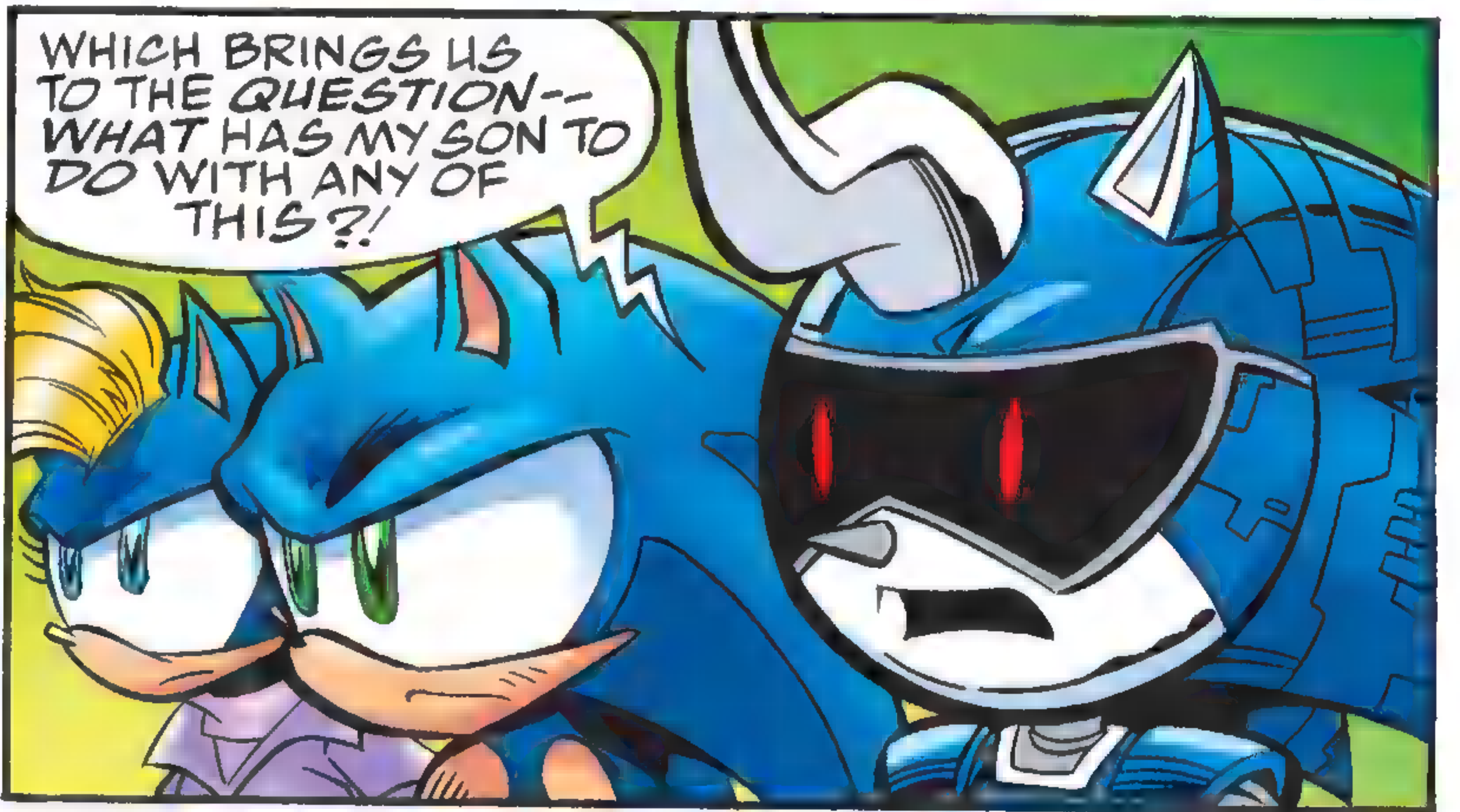
AS IT STANDS, I HAVE JUST UNDER FIFTEEN HOURS LEFT!

THEN WHAT?

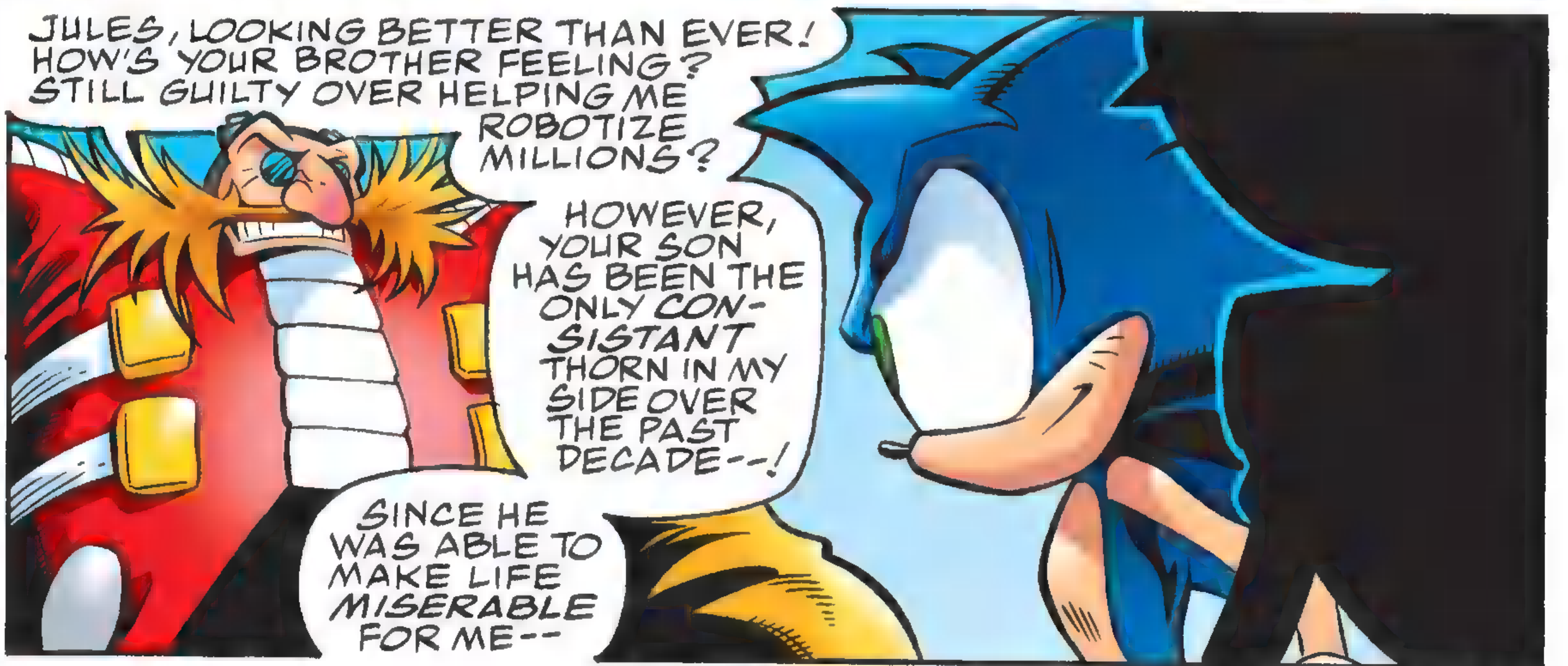


THAT'S JUST IT! I'M NOT SURE--

--BUT THE MESSAGE I RECEIVED DIDN'T EXACTLY INSPIRE ONE WITH MUCH OPTIMISM FOR A LONG LIFE!



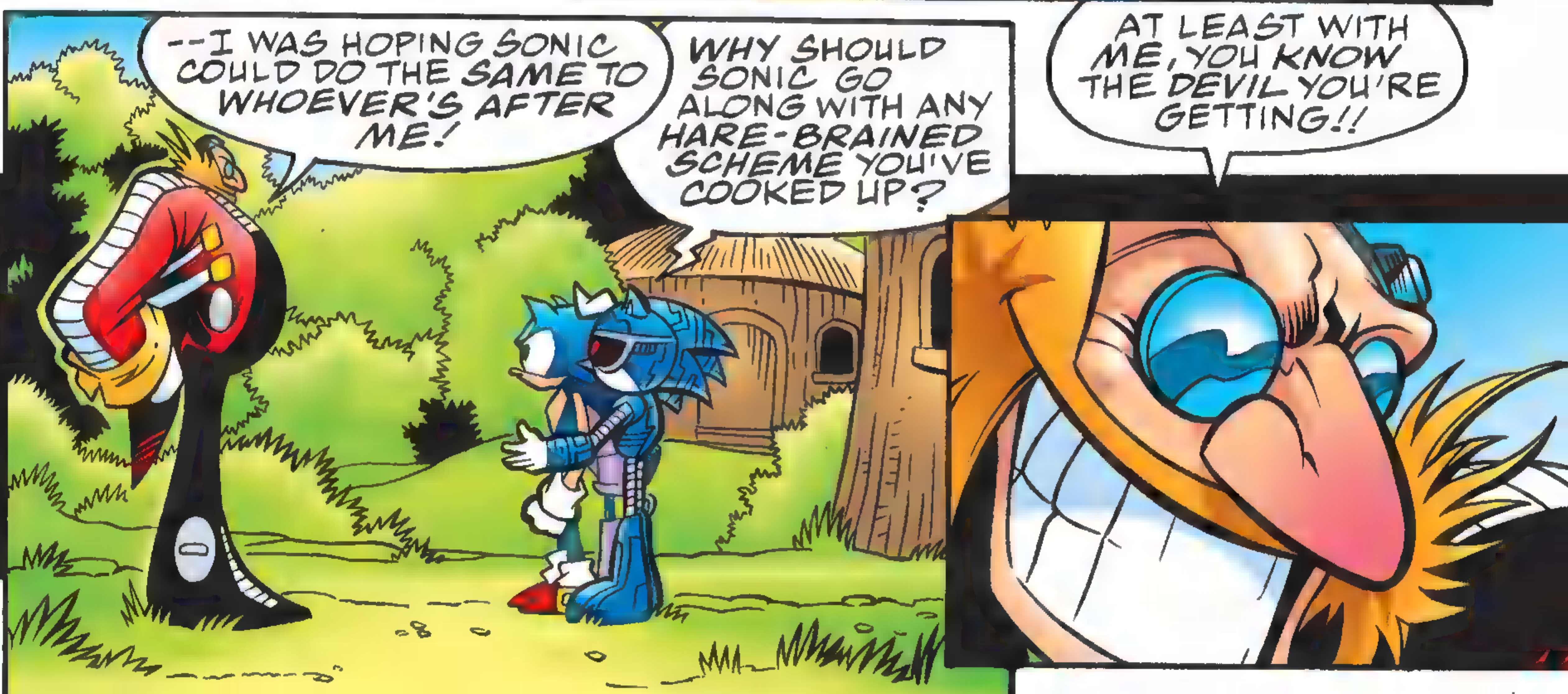
WHICH BRINGS US TO THE QUESTION-- WHAT HAS MY SON TO DO WITH ANY OF THIS?!



JULES, LOOKING BETTER THAN EVER! HOW'S YOUR BROTHER FEELING? STILL GUILTY OVER HELPING ME ROBOTIZE MILLIONS?

HOWEVER, YOUR SON HAS BEEN THE ONLY CONSISTANT THORN IN MY SIDE OVER THE PAST DECADE--!

SINCE HE WAS ABLE TO MAKE LIFE MISERABLE FOR ME--



--I WAS HOPING SONIC COULD DO THE SAME TO WHOEVER'S AFTER ME!

WHY SHOULD SONIC GO ALONG WITH ANY HARE-BRAINED SCHEME YOU'VE COOKED UP?

AT LEAST WITH ME, YOU KNOW THE DEVIL YOU'RE GETTING!!

"--BESIDES, I CAN GET YOU OUT OF THAT TIN CAN, JULES!"

PLEASE TELL ME AGAIN--

--HOW WE'RE NOT STICKING OUR NECKS IN A NOOSE!

I WISH I COULD, SONIC--

--BUT IF THERE IS A FORCE EVEN WORSE THAN ROBOTNIK TO BE RECKON-ED WITH--

--THEN WE NEED TO LEARN ALL WE CAN NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS TO US!

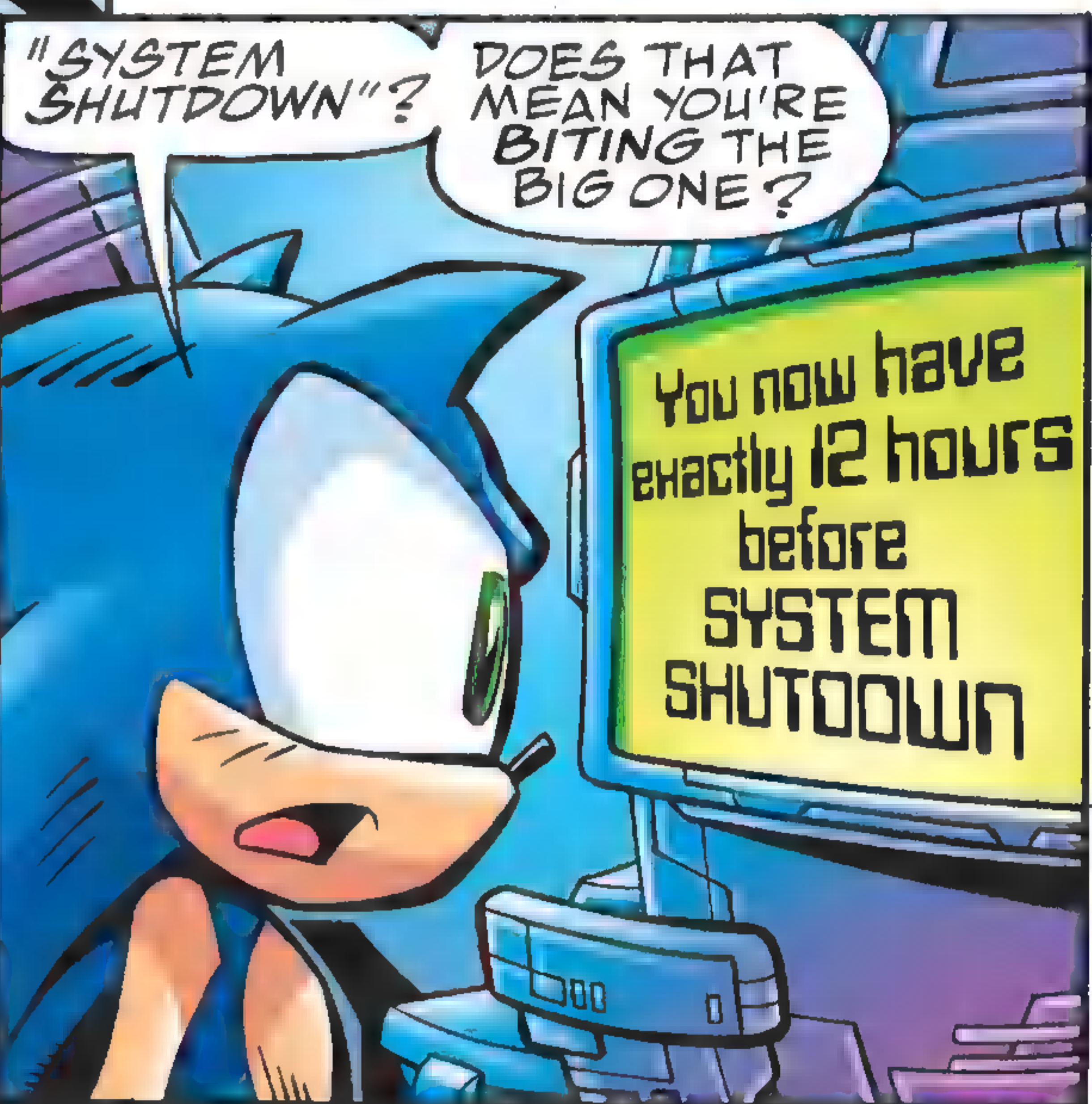
FOR THE RECORD, I AM DOING THIS FOR MY FATHER, AND NOT AS SOME FACT-FINDING MISSION!

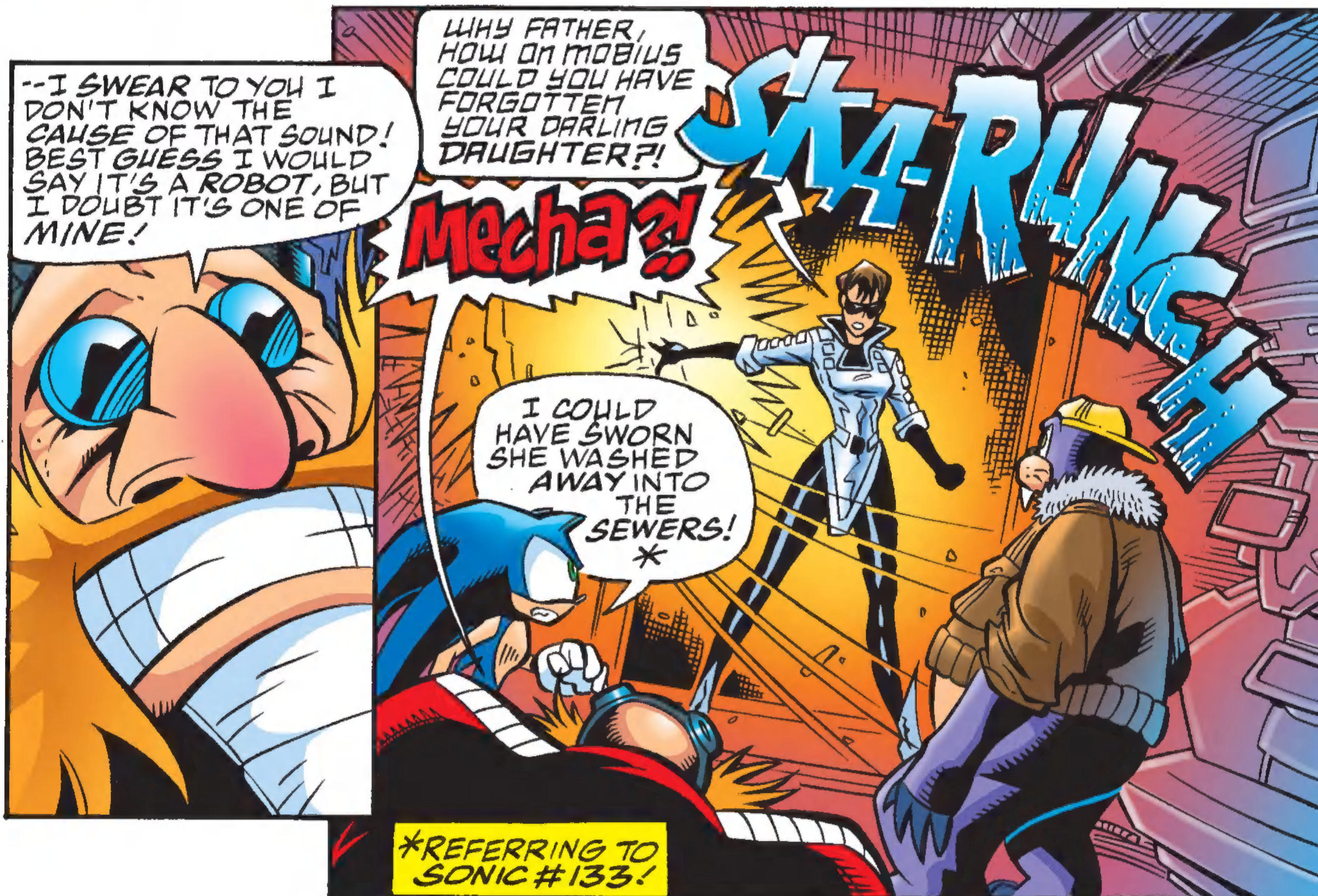
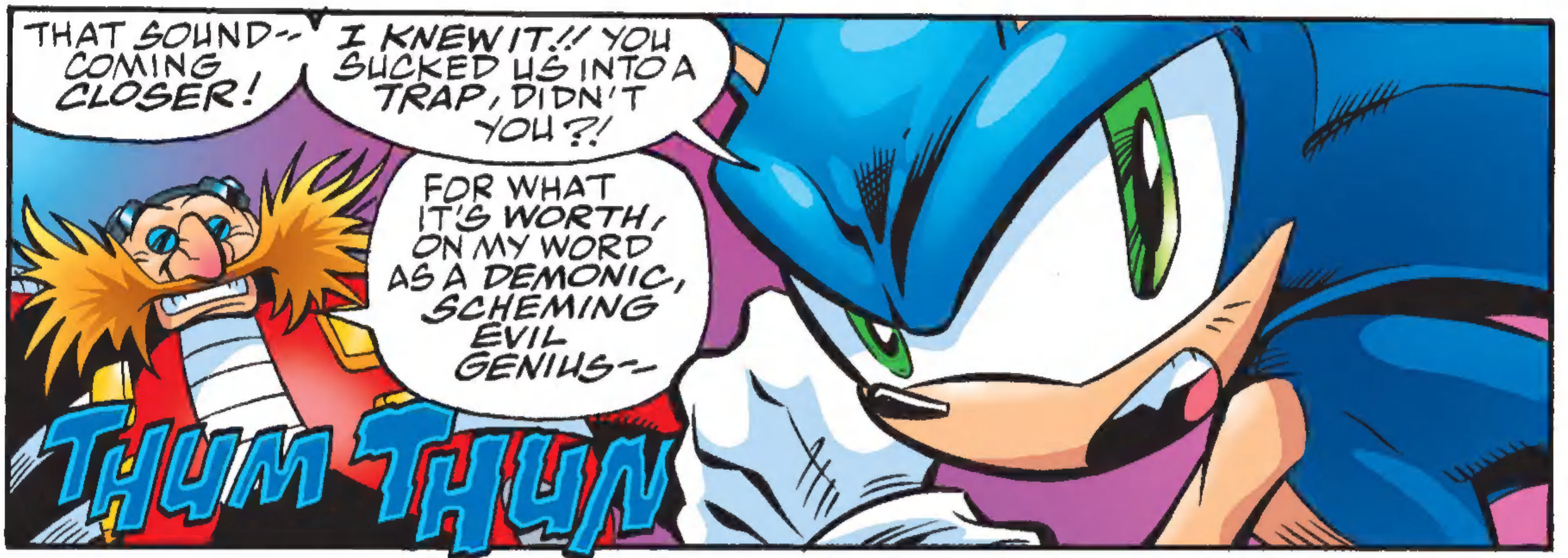
KHAWHWHH

MY APOLOGIES FOR THE ROUGH LANDING, BUT THE REMOTE CONTROL SYSTEM ISN'T AS SMOOTH AT THE CONTROLS AS THE HOLOGRAM YOU WRECKED!

YEAH, YEAH! WHATEVER!

LET'S JUST GET ON WITH IT!

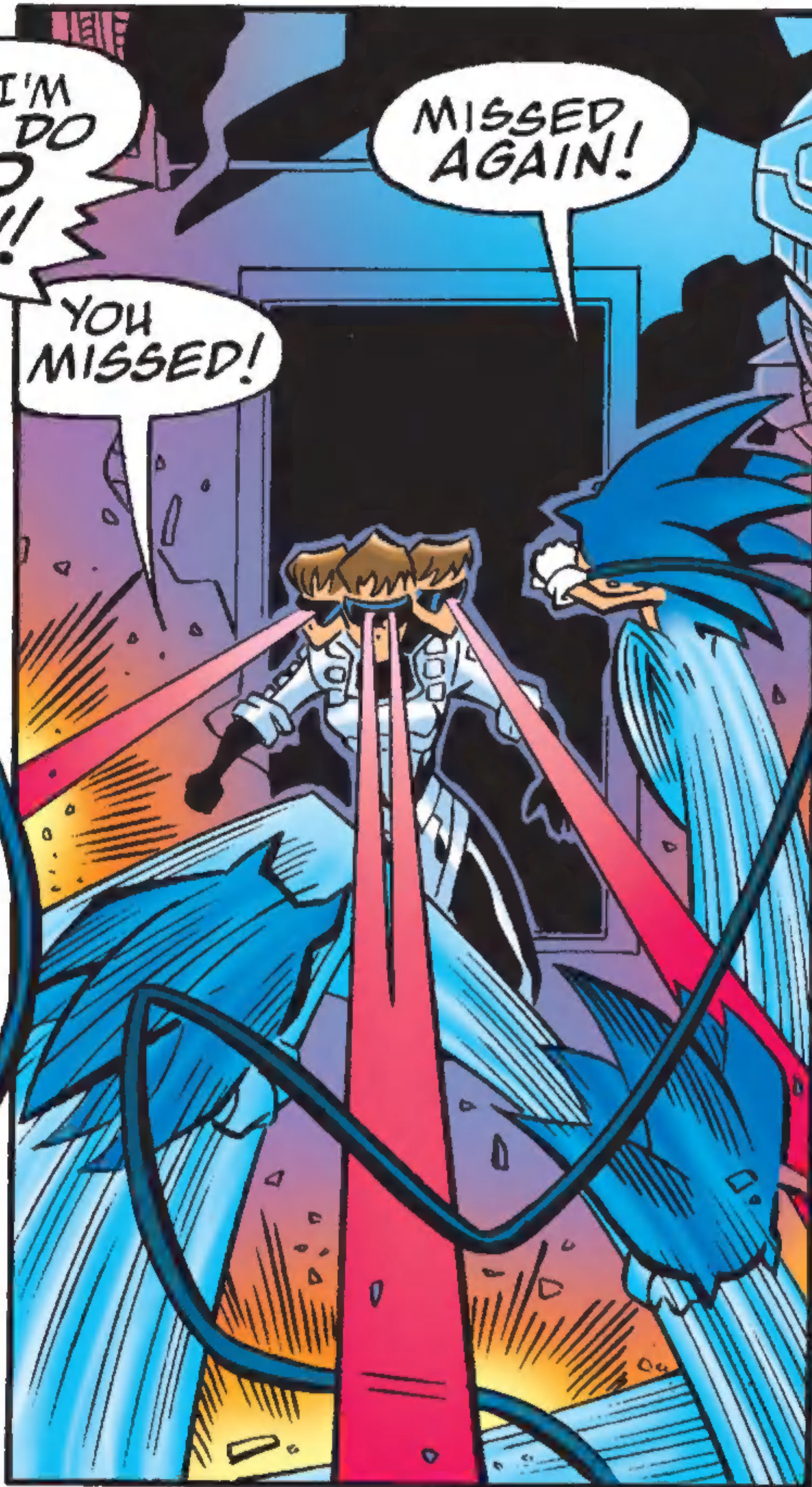




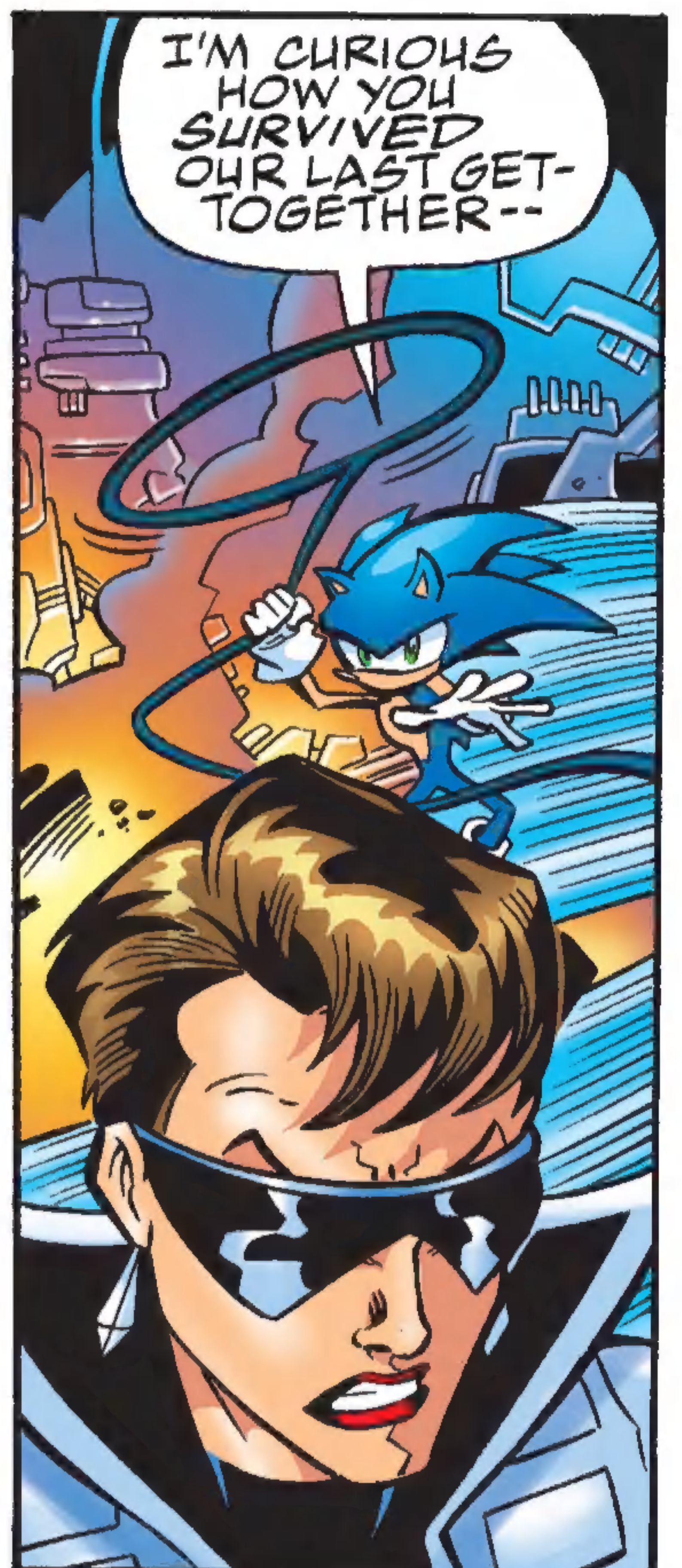


--BUT I'M
GONNA DO
IT TO
IT!!

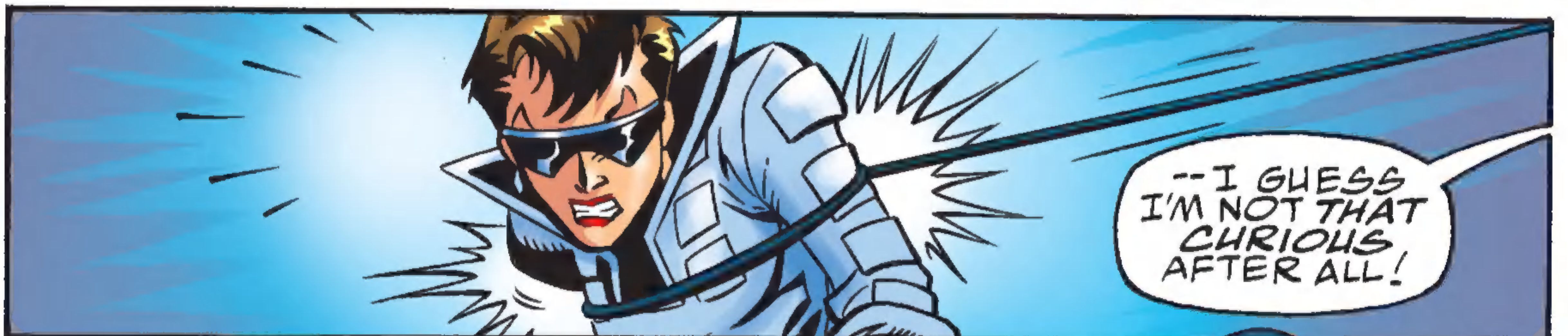
YOU
MISSED!



MISSED
AGAIN!



I'M CURIOUS
HOW YOU
SURVIVED
OUR LAST GET-
TOGETHER--



--I GUESS
I'M NOT THAT
CHRIOSUS
AFTER ALL!

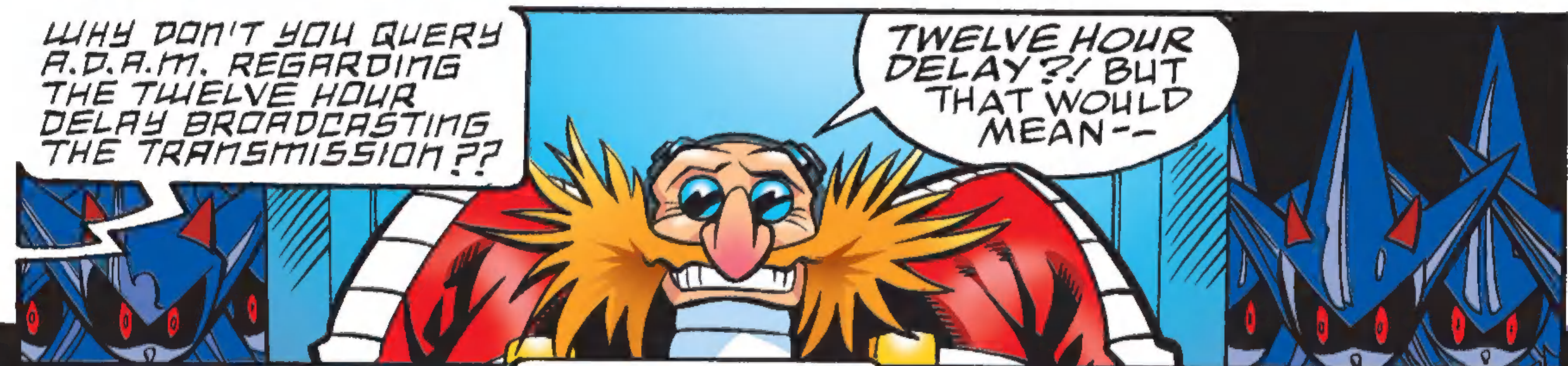
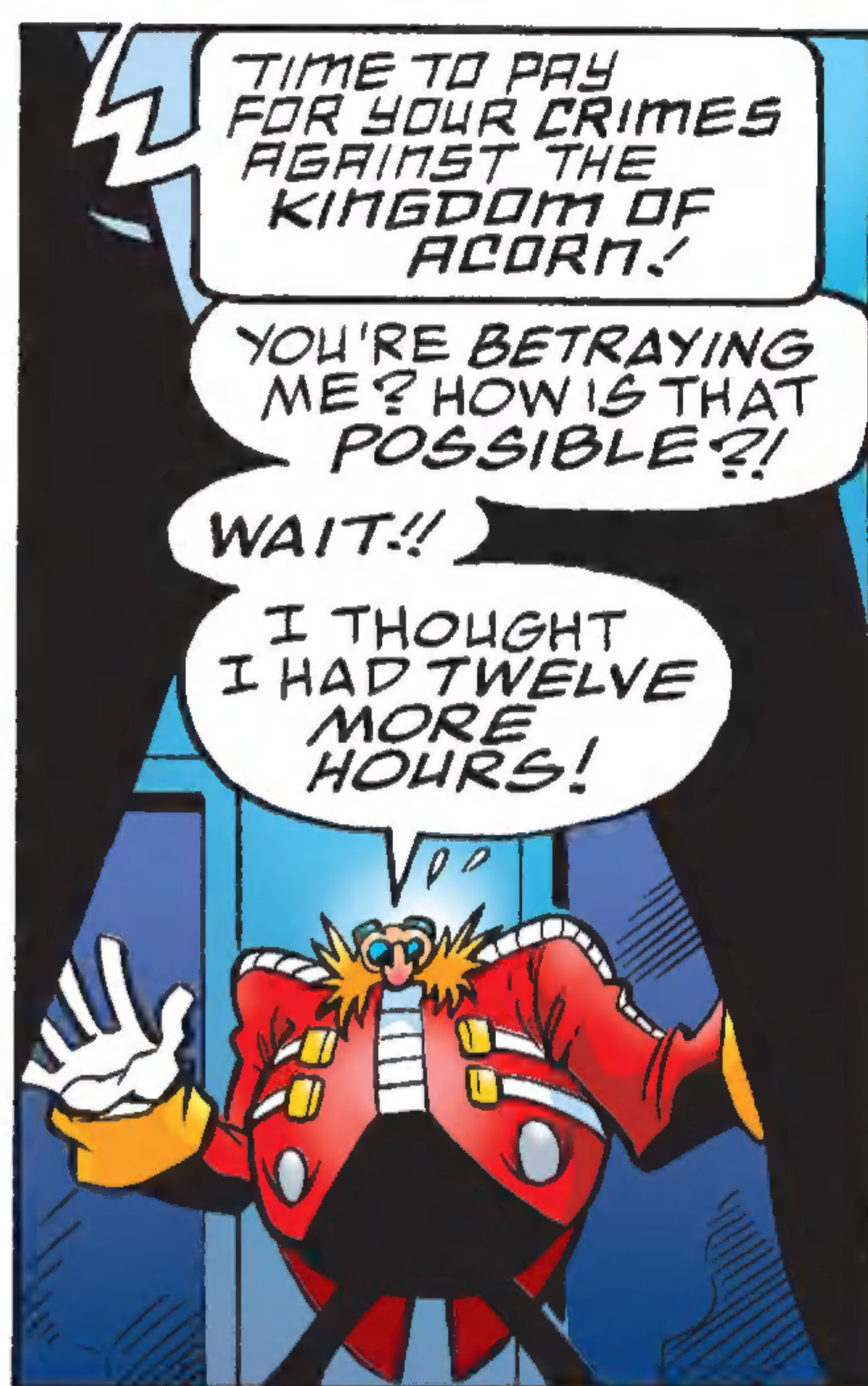
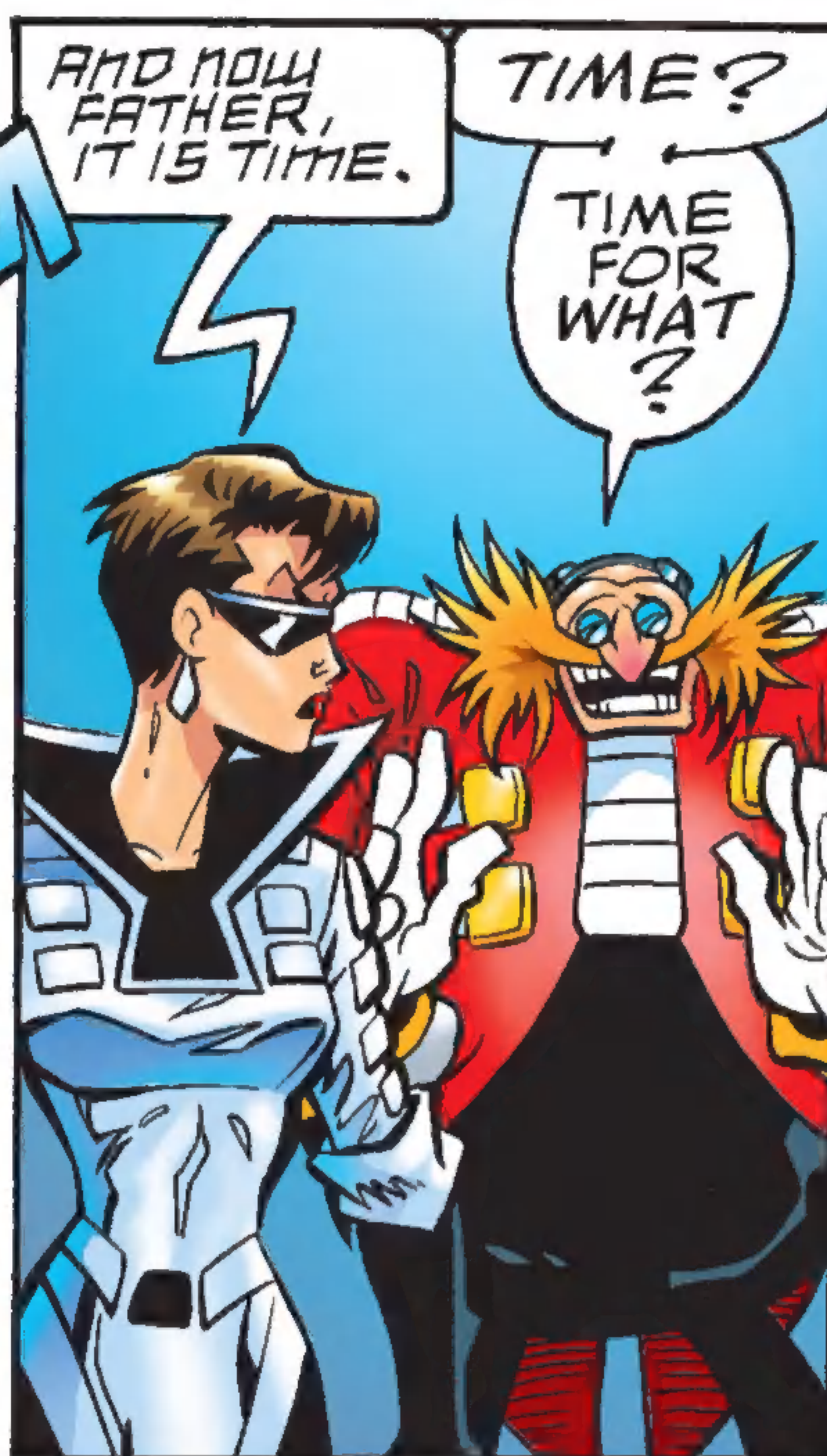


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SONIC GRAMS, I want LUMINA and VOID back. I would like it if you made a story continuing issue #92's backup story, "SONIC SHUFFLE". I have tons of SONIC video games.

I got the new SHADOW THE HEDGEHOG and SONIC RUSH video games. Very cool. We plan to use a new character from SONIC RUSH, BLAZE THE CAT in an upcoming issue.

I have a box of SONIC comics and my younger brother collects too. My brother got his SONIC subscription on the back of

a can of SONIC meatballs. In one episode of SONIC X, TAILS was remembering a time when he made the Tornado and in the SONIC movie they used the Tornado.

Lots of cool SONIC entertainment out there. How about our new SONIC X comic? Keep writing in and letting us know!

Oh, and can you put my letter in the editor's page, even if you can't put in a Shameless plug?

-ALEX MORETTI

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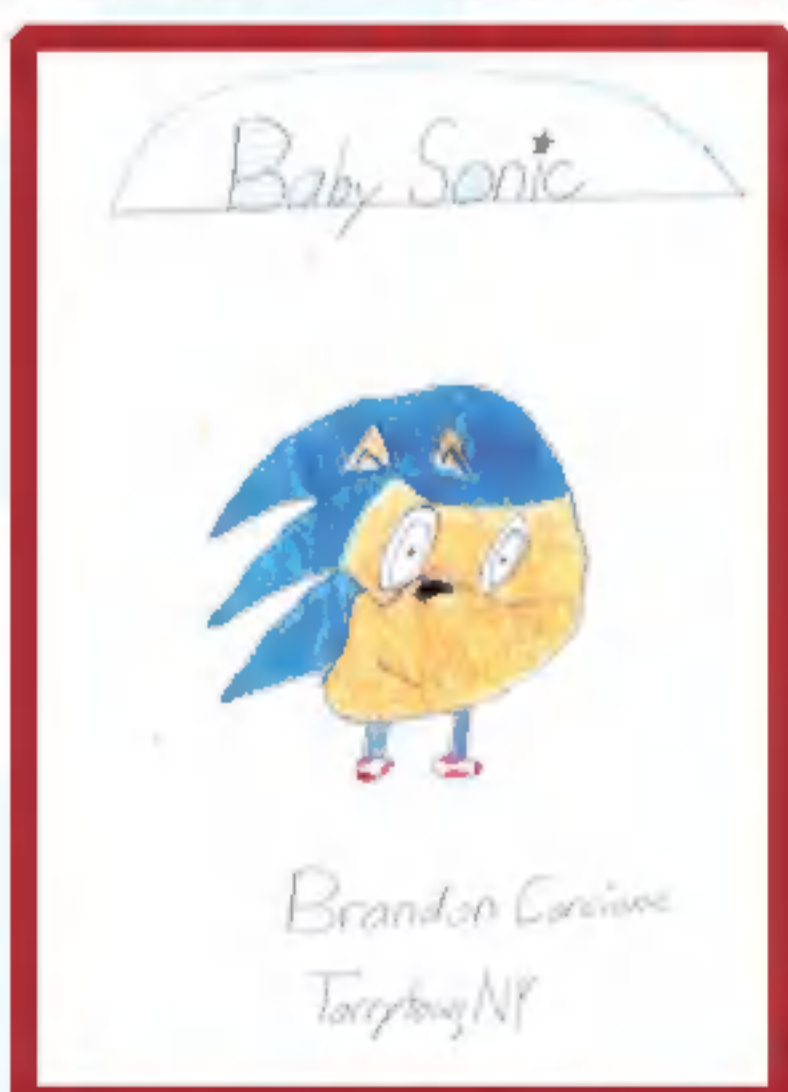
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